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Four men OD on GHB at SF clubs

by Ed Walsh

Four men from two gay clubs had to be rushed to San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH) last weekend after two separate incidents of overdosing on the drug gamma hydroxy butyrate acid (GHB). The incidents have prompted San Francisco health officials this week to issue new warnings about the dangers of the drug. All four of last weekend's overdose victims were treated and released from the hospital's emergency room.

The first incident happened in the early morning hours last Saturday, August 28, at the Endup, 401 6th Street. Paramedics were called to assist two men who had overdosed on GHB. A witness told the *Bay Area Reporter* that one of the men was unconscious when he was loaded in an ambulance and the second victim appeared agitated and was flailing his arms. He was strapped down on a stretcher with his wrists wrapped in hand restraints before being loaded in the ambulance with the first victim.

Endup's owner and general manager, Carl Hanken, told the *B.A.R.* that

the second man had to be restrained because he bit one of his security guards on the arm. Hanken said although the guard was wearing a thick jacket, the man's bite was so strong that it still broke his skin. "They were messy," said "Fag Friday" promoter David Peterson, who believes the men were holdovers from his popular weekly dance club which becomes "Other World" at about 4 a.m. The incident happened at about 5:30 a.m. "I'm pissed off about it," said Peterson. "They will never be allowed back in this club again. Every time an incident like this happens it jeopardizes the license of the business."

"They were old enough to have known better. One was almost 40," Peterson added. He said he has a photocopy of the men's driver's licenses and is considering taking legal action against them.

Several months ago, Hanken posted notices warning about the dangers

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Carl Hanken

The 'lowdown on oral sex'

by Terry Beswick

As about 15 sign-carrying protesters made their way down Castro Street on their way to a public forum last Thursday, August 26, they got people's attention. "Well, at least they have a cause," commented one passerby. The forum at the Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy entitled "Heads Up: The Lowdown on Oral Sex" was attended by over 60 people; it was sponsored by the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Stop AIDS Project.

The activists, mostly members of ACT UP/San Francisco, were drawing attention to various opinions perhaps best summed up by their signs and chants, which ranged from the inflammatory "DPH, full of lies, they don't care if queers die," to the ubiquitous "HIV is a lie," the subjective "homo sex is best," and the surreal "AIDS is over."

The meeting was hastily scheduled following widespread media coverage of a recent DPH study (see the August 19 *Bay Area Reporter*), widely interpreted to show that oral sex without condoms, while not the riskiest of sexual activities, is not without risk for transmission of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. The purpose of the meeting was to provide community members an opportunity to ask questions directly of the researchers, including epidemiologists Dr. Susan Buchbinder, of DPH, and Dr. Eric Vittinghoff, of the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF).

However, the presentations seemed to



Dr. Susan Buchbinder (speaking) joined a panel of other researchers and health workers at a panel on oral sex co-sponsored by the DPH and Stop AIDS Project. Other panelists were (left to right) Paul Cotton, Steamworks; Paul O'Malley, DPH; Eric Vittinghoff, UCSF; and Kim Shafer, UCSF Center for AIDS Prevention Studies.

pose more questions than provide answers for some members of the audience, many of whom seemed to be looking for simple answers that were not available. The researchers frequently were forced to draw on anecdotal evidence and small, old studies to speculate about the risks of various sexual practices.

"I didn't learn anything today," one par-

ticipant complained. "Why can't you get more people to be in the research?"

"When the risk [being studied] is really low, it takes thousands and thousands of people and a lot of money to draw definitive conclusions," Buchbinder responded. (See page 18 for information on how to volunteer

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SF biker dies from injuries

Suspect in hit and run may be charged with murder

by Katie Szymanski

Albert "Franco" Martin, a gay biker who was allegedly hit and run over by a man driving a stolen car during a police chase in July, died from his injuries Sunday, August 29. He was 44 years old.

Martin was struck by a Ford Mustang at the intersection of Bayshore Boulevard and Oakdale Avenue on July 12.

According to police reports, officers had been pursuing the stolen Mustang when they noticed the car, driving at a speed of approximately 50 miles per hour, skid to a sudden stop. At this time, the driver and passenger of the car sat up in the vehicle and appeared to motion for someone to get out of the way. Officers then noticed the car accelerate over a "bump," an incident which in fact was the car running over Martin with its right tires. It was then that police realized the previous skid had been the car's first contact with Martin.

Witnesses said that the suspects hit Martin, whose motorcycle flew into the air and hit the underpass of the freeway. The suspects then ran him over in an attempt to flee the numerous police units behind them.

The district attorney's office has already charged 22-year-old Jibao Washington, the alleged driver of the stolen vehicle, with several counts related to the incident, but charges will be upped next week to either manslaughter or murder, according to Inspector Ron Huberman in the district attorney's office.

Martin is survived by his domestic partner Dick Manning, a committee chair of the San Francisco Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride Celebration Committee board and a member of the Knights of Malta Motorcycle Club.

"He was a fighter, and many of his doctors said he should have died right there on the street," Manning told the *Bay Area Reporter*. Martin fought for his life for 51 days.

"It was that second hit that killed him," Manning said. "Had he just been hit he would be in rehabilitation right now. But be-

cause they decided to run him over a second time he sustained major internal injuries."

Martin was admitted to San Francisco General Hospital with massive internal bleeding, a shattered pelvis, a ruptured spleen and bladder, a bruised heart and lungs, and 12 compound fractures.

"Even if he had lived, he would have been a changed person," said Manning. "He would

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Albert "Franco" Martin

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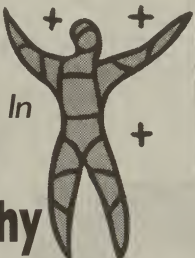
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Lesser known mayoral candidates protest debate exclusion

by Katie Szymanski

Led by Latina lesbian candidate Lucrecia Bermúdez and gay candidate Jim Reid, San Francisco's "other" candidates for mayor have organized to protest their exclusion from a set of various mayoral debates featuring Mayor Willie Brown, former Mayor Frank Jordan, and former political consultant Clint Reilly. The group has planned demonstrations and issued statements in an attempt to be included in what it deems "a closed forum."

"We are going to get new ideas from a retired mayor, the incumbent mayor, and the political consultant who advised them?" said a statement issued by Reid last week. "San Franciscans deserve better."

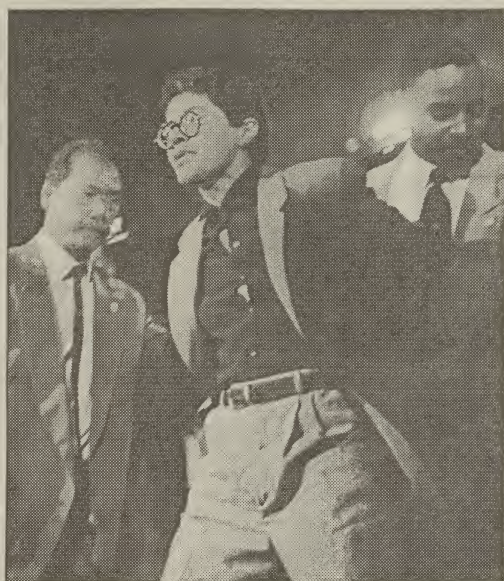
At a demonstration held during the first debate on Tuesday, August 31, at the Hebrew Academy, Bermúdez was hauled away by police when she climbed onto the stage and asked to be included in the discussion. Television stations around the city showed officers forcefully dragging Bermúdez off of the platform.

Bermúdez promptly issued a statement condemning the police behavior and the exclusion of other candidates from the debate.

"Key words such as 'working class,' 'tenants,' 'Latinos,' 'people of color,' 'Asians,' and 'gays and lesbians' were never mentioned by the three allowed to be at the podium," the statement said.

The demonstration was planned in advance for Tuesday's debate - sponsored by the Raoul Wallenberg Jewish Democratic Club and Richmond District Democratic Club - and included candidates Reid, Cesar Ascarunz, Mark "Superbooty" O'Hara, and Martin Lee Eng asking for a chance to be heard. Only Bermúdez approached the stage.

Bermúdez said she will also be at the next debate - sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Hispanic Chamber of Com-



Latina lesbian candidate Lucrecia Bermúdez was led away by security guards at Tuesday's mayoral debate.

merce on September 8 at Mission High School at 5:45 p.m. - "demanding inclusion for women, workers, people of color, immigrants, and the LGBT [lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender] community."

Reid said that since there are 14 candidates in the mayor's race, limiting debates to three people from that pool is both unfair and unproductive.

"The sponsors of these debates would like you to believe that the three 'big guys' are the only choices you have," Reid told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "That's just not true."

Ellen Elliott, co-chair of the debate sponsored by the League of Women Voters, agreed that other candidates need to be heard.

"Unfortunately it isn't possible to have a substantive debate with

14 candidates," Elliott told the *B.A.R.* "We invite the candidates that, according to independent polls, have the best chance of winning."

Elliott said that in an effort to include the other candidates, the League is in the process of coordinating a 14-candidate debate to be aired on cable television.

"Other candidates often raise very important issues that leading candidates don't even touch," she said.

Bermúdez said in light of these statements, she should be included in the upcoming debate at Mission High School.

"If they really believe we're important, the first step they should take is to change the debate," Bermúdez told the *B.A.R.* "These promises of a separate event do not make a democracy, actions do." ▼

Fundraiser will help people with illnesses take their dream vacations

by Katie Szymanski

It has been said that travel is the best medicine, and recipients of Destination Foundation grants would probably agree.

Destination Foundation is a new nonprofit organization that provides trips to members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community who have life-threatening illnesses.

Past recipients have had breast cancer or AIDS, and have shared their trips with their partners. One man used his trip to scatter his partner's ashes in Hawaii.

To further its ability to grant dream vacations, the foundation will hold a "Spin for Dreams" fundraising party on Saturday, September 25, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Crunch Fitness, 1000 Van Ness Avenue, in San Francisco.

The registration deadline is this Monday, September 6.

The Spinathon will entail a simulated all-terrain bike ride to music, complimentary massages, and a chance to win prizes such as free Crunch memberships.

To register, participants should gather their friends to form a team, whose members will take turns riding the 4-hour course. Teams of two must raise \$300, teams of three must raise \$450, and teams of four should raise at least \$600. All of the proceeds will go toward making a person's dream trip come true.

The trips are intended to give sick people and their loved ones a chance to take their dream vacations, but not every trip has to be a "dying wish," according to Destination Foundation President Tim Hepworth.

"Our trips can simply be alter-

native medicine to heal the body and spirit," said Hepworth.

Hepworth created the foundation last year in memory of his partner James Poole, who died in 1997.

"As a flight attendant, Jim's travels to 72 countries helped him live with AIDS for 13 years," said Hepworth. "Each adventure let him temporarily escape his illness and take a hiatus from doctors and clinics."

Hepworth said it was the healing power of these trips that sparked the creation of Destination Foundation when Poole passed away. Destination Foundation's first fundraiser, held in April, raised over \$25,000. ▼

To register a team for Destination Foundation's Spinathon, call Tim Hepworth at (415) 970-3333.

No on Knight takes aim

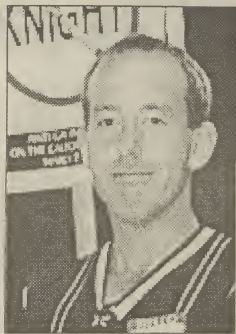
by Terry Beswick

The key to passing or defeating the Knight initiative, Proposition 819 on the March 7, 2000 ballot, seems to be about spinning a simple, positive message and selling it to "persuadable" voters.

Many statewide propositions have been defeated in California by labeling them "confusing" or misleading. However, on its face, the 14-word Knight initiative, also known as the Definition of Marriage initiative, is anything but confusing.

"Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California," reads the proposition. Period.

The "No on Knight" campaign's internal polls, commissioned by the Horizons Foundation last spring and donated to the No on Knight campaign, found that of 1,200 likely primary voters, 81 percent felt that it was "wrong to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation," but 56 percent also said that they favored the Knight initiative, with 40 percent saying they were opposed.



Mike Marshall

"In five months, we have to get 3.2 million votes. The polling says, off the top, we get 2 million votes," Mike Marshall, campaign manager for the Californians for Fairness, told the *Bay Area Reporter*. Californians for Fairness is the statewide No on Knight campaign.

"This is not about legalizing same-sex marriage. This is a ban on something that doesn't exist. It's divisive, it's intrusive, it's unfair," said Marshall. "Our polling shows we have to have a conserv-

ative message: 'You don't have to be in favor of gay marriage to oppose the Knight initiative.'"

Cheryl Deaner, executive director of All Our Families Coalition, worries that, unlike previous gay-related statewide battles, No on Knight could have a tough time selling its message. "When we were dealing with Briggs (the defeated 1978 measure which would have banned gay teachers), it was about the right to work, so it was much easier. It was linear and intellectual," Deaner told the *B.A.R.* "But with Knight, it's about kids and families, and it's much different. You may agree that gays and lesbians deserve rights, but would you trust them with your kids? It's going to be a challenge for the campaign."

Win or lose, all agree that Proposition 819 will be a watershed event in the annals of gay rights. "In the 29 states where this has passed by legislative action, they are using it in the courts to overturn gay rights," said Marshall.

Marshall said that, although his campaign has raised \$800,000 to date — nearly as much as the Knight forces, \$5 million more will be needed to launch an effective

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Clint Reilly camp and Alice B. Toklas Club spar over association with law firm

by Katie Szymanski

When politicians are indirectly linked to anti-gay ballot initiatives, does that make them enemies of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) community?

On August 16, the Alice B. Toklas Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club issued a strong statement against mayoral candidate Clint Reilly for employing Bagatelos & Fadem, the law firm that represents proponents of the Knight initiative, a ballot measure slated for the March 2000 ballot that would forbid the recognition of same-sex marriages in California.

"Pete Knight is the Anita Bryant of the 1990s," the Toklas statement said, referring to homophobic state Senator Pete Knight (R-Palmdale). "If Clint Reilly can't make that distinction then he certainly shouldn't be coming to the gay and lesbian community for support."

Since the Toklas statement emerged, a debate has erupted over what constitutes a "gay-friendly" candidate and whether a group with close ties to specific candidates can make objective statements about political issues.

Jay Bagi, a Reilly supporter, said that because key Toklas Club members have employment ties to Brown, the club's statement was unfairly slanted.

"There's a conflict of interest here, and it undermines the club's credibility," Bagi told the *Bay Area Reporter*.

Toklas Co-chair Esther Lee called Bagi's criticism "goofy."

"Our opinions shouldn't be invalid just because we're supporting one candidate," Lee told the *B.A.R.*, adding that of the club's 30 board members, only three work for the city. The Toklas Club endorsed Brown last year.

"We believe that by supporting the same law firm, Clint Reilly is

helping to support the Knight initiative," said Lee. "That's not what we call supportive of the gay community."

Tom Pier, a spokesman for Reilly, said the fact that the Reilly campaign uses the same law firm as the Knight initiative campaign is irrelevant to Reilly's stance on gay issues.

"We're talking about a law firm used by Democrats and Republicans alike," said Pier, who emphasized that the Reilly campaign enlisted Bagatelos & Fadem long before the Knight initiative campaign hired the same firm.

Bagatelos & Fadem does, in fact, represent other issues of importance to the gay community. The firm was hired to look over the language of the Sunshine ini-

tiative, supported by openly gay Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammann and other gay activists.

Doug Comstock, campaign manager for San Franciscans for Sunshine, said that using Bagatelos & Fadem does not endorse a particular client of the firm.

"Everybody uses them," Comstock told the *B.A.R.* "They're the best in the business."

Pier said that considering these facts, it would only make sense for the Toklas Club to condemn Ammann and other gay and gay-friendly politicians.

"Clint Reilly is a clear supporter of the gay community and is strongly opposed to the Knight initiative," said Pier. "The Toklas

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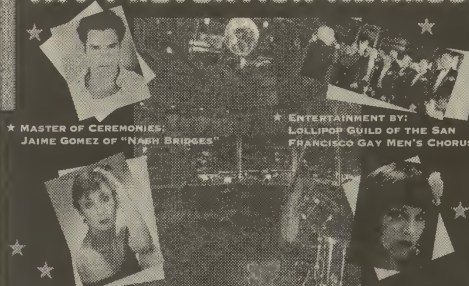
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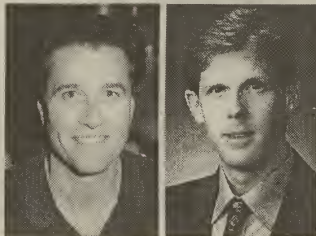
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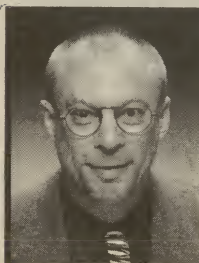
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Bodfish murder motivated by hate?

by Ed Walsh

More than two months after the murder of transgender Orinda resident Emmon Bodfish, one of Bodfish's friends says police are focusing too much on Bodfish's depression and Druid faith, and not on what she believes is the real motivation for the crime: hate.

Willow Oak Istarwood told the *Bay Area Reporter* she's convinced Bodfish's death was a hate crime. "It was probably some local punks who resented the fact he was trying to live the way he was," said Istarwood, "and that he owned that much property and was living in their precious city."

Istarwood said she witnessed Bodfish being harassed firsthand during the time when they were close friends in the 1980s. "There were times when he and I would be driving around there [Orinda] and some young punk types would come up behind us and try to drive us off the road," Istarwood told the *B.A.R.*

Istarwood said the exclusive city of Orinda is in denial. "Those people up there in those bedroom communities don't like to think they have either weirdo transgender people or weirdo skinhead gay bashers."

When she was formally questioned by police, Istarwood said she was asked several questions about

Bodfish's nature-based Druid faith, including questions about human sacrifice. She told officers she and Bodfish belonged to the Reformed Druids of North America, an organization she calls "white-bread," and that human sacrifices went out in Roman times. "The weirdness of his religion seems to be their favorite shtick," said Istarwood.

Istarwood said police told her that Bodfish had recently bought enough narcotics to kill himself and asked whether he may have ordered someone to kill him. "I said, okay, fine, if he were suicidal why wouldn't he just take the drugs? He wouldn't go hire somebody to bash his head in."

Istarwood said she was aware that Bodfish was depressed and said it stemmed from his lack of self-esteem. "I have a lot of letters and postcards he sent me saying he felt that he always had this terrible demon that was always trying to tell him what a no-good he was," said Istarwood. "When I called and left a message on his machine telling him what a good guy he was, he said it was almost like an anti-demon vitamin pill and he said that just being held and looked at lovingly was therapeutic for him."

Istarwood believes Bodfish's extreme reclusiveness in recent years only made his depression worse.

When she first met Bodfish in the early 1980s, Istarwood said she didn't know he was transgendered. She said he eventually confided in her that he was born a woman. Bodfish told her that he preferred to be considered as "an androgynous male oriented" person.

Istarwood, like Bodfish's other friends, doesn't believe his son, Max Wills, could have killed him.

Wills, 33, committed suicide in Santa Monica hours after being told by his grandmother that his mother was dead. Bodfish, 56, was found bludgeoned to death in the living room of his modest Orinda home on June 30.

"Max was hypersensitive," said Istarwood.

Orinda police Sergeant Mark Hale told the *B.A.R.* that while investigators still don't consider Wills a suspect in Bodfish's murder, they haven't been able to account for all of Wills' time while he was vacationing in Southern California and couldn't rule him out as a potential suspect.

Hale said investigators have "absolutely no evidence" that Bodfish's murder was a hate crime. He said they are continuing to investigate the murder in a methodical, careful, and thorough manner.

Hale added that investigators have no reason to believe that Bodfish may have solicited his own murder or was on the verge of suicide at the time of his killing. Hale disputes Istarwood's claim that she was told by investigators that Bodfish had recently purchased enough narcotics to kill himself. ▼

Hepatitis C talk Sept. 8

Dr. Marion Peters will be the featured speaker at an informational meeting this Wednesday, September 8, at Davies Medical Center on "Hepatitis C/HIV Coinfection."

Peters is chief of hepatology research at the University of California at San Francisco, and will discuss recent findings concerning coinfection, as well as studies currently under way. Research is being planned which will treat coinfecting people early in their hepatitis C progression.

According to Alan Franciscus of the Hep C Support Group, the meeting's sponsor, some 40 to 60 percent of HIV-positive people are coinfecting with hepatitis C.

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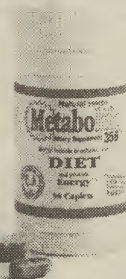
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Smith takes reins at CCSF

by Terry Beswick

City College of San Francisco (CCSF) announced the appointment last month of openly gay Bruce M. Smith, Ph.D., as Dean of the School of Liberal Arts and the college's Castro/Valencia campus.

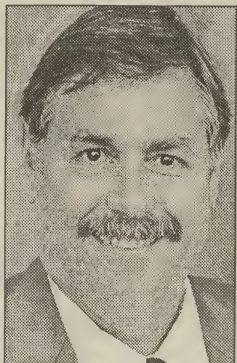
In addition to housing the only accredited Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Studies Department in the nation, the Castro/Valencia campus, based in the Everett Middle School at 450 Church Street, offers credit and non-credit evening classes in aerobics, Tai Chi, behavioral sciences, creative writing, English composition, foreign languages, humanities, recovery issues, sign language, social sciences, speech, and women's studies.

"While there were many things that attracted me to the position," Smith told the *Bay Area Reporter*, "the opportunity of working with the Castro/Valencia Campus is particularly exciting."

As Dean of the School of Liberal Arts, Smith will also oversee a wide array of the college's academic programs, including the departments of art, broadcast electronic media arts, English, film, foreign languages, graphic communications, journalism, music, older adults, photography, and theater arts.

"It's a big job," Smith said.

Smith, 51, previously worked



Dr. Bruce M. Smith

for Santa Barbara City College as the dean of academic affairs since 1995. He has 23 years of experience as a classroom instructor, most recently with Antelope Valley College in northern Los Angeles County, where he taught theater, composition, and speech, and directed and produced over 70 theater productions.

Smith came to San Francisco with his partner of 18 years, Paul Castellano.

"It is really nice to be in a place as accepting and diverse as San Francisco," said Smith, noting that when relocating for previous jobs, "my partner couldn't get benefits" until he was able find work.

"I think it's significant for the

institution of City College for the appointment of a sympathetic – at the very least – dean for a queer department in a queer campus," commented Jonathan Katz, director of the CCSF Gay and Lesbian Studies Department. Katz described Smith to the *B.A.R.* as a "capable and sweet guy," and plans to enlist his support in expanding the gay studies program. ▼

Enrollment closes September 10 for the current semester at City College, which began on August 23. For more information, prospective students may pick up a schedule of classes at City College, or at www.ccsf.cc.ca.us. Register by attending a class and asking the instructor's permission.

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LAVA Awards taking nominations

by Katie Szymanski

Do you know a lesbian who deserves to be among the ranks of Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon, the inspirations for San Francisco's Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services clinic, or Dr. Nanette Gartrell, pioneer of lesbian psychiatric studies?

Bay Area Career Women (BACW) has announced a call for nominations for its eighth annual Lesbians of Achievement, Vision, and Action (LAVA) Awards, to be given to lesbians who have "enhanced the image, empowerment, or understanding of lesbians."

The nominated lesbian must live in the nine-county Bay Area or Modesto, have made signifi-

cant contributions to the lesbian community, and be willing to be out to the press. She may excel in the arts, community service, government, philanthropy, athletics, spirituality, business, education, law, science, or other areas, but she must have specific, identifiable accomplishments.

The LAVA Awards will be presented during a dinner on March 18, 2000 that will benefit BACW's "A Fund of Our Own." The fund has provided over \$249,000 in support of lesbians since its conception in 1989.

Those who wish to nominate a lesbian of their choosing cannot do so anonymously, and must do so by Friday, September 10. To receive a nomination form via fax, e-mail, or mail, call Ron Wong and Associates at (415) 920-9764. ▼



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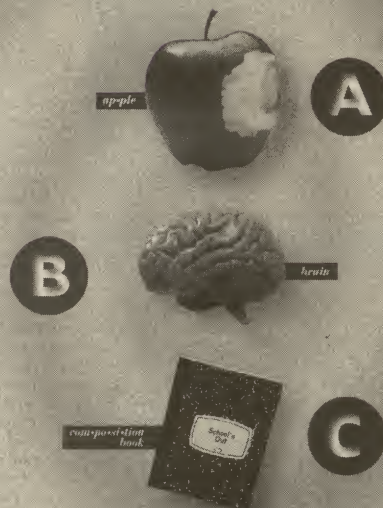
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OPEN FORUM

Ethical dilemmas

We were very pleased to see three respected Bay Area ethicists spend a little over an hour talking to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF) Board of Directors last week. The ethicists — Michael Mendiola, Karen Lebacqz, and John Golenski — were candid in stating that SFAF will never be able to help everyone in San Francisco who is living with HIV/AIDS; however, given that not everyone can be helped, the ethicists provided concrete recommendations for the foundation so that it may have a more ethical response to the community it serves.

During the meeting, SFAF board members (including Chair Paul Wisotzky, and members Larry Colton, Anna Heath, Angela Padilla, Lonnie Payne, Michael Sangiacomo, Fred Silverman, and Russ Testa) listened attentively along with Executive Director Pat Christen as the ethicists provided definitions of ethics and talked about the need to serve people who are least able to avail themselves of services.

We sincerely hope the board and staff members who were at last week's meeting will take the ethicists' recommendations and implement them; specifically, that SFAF needs to form an ethics committee that can hear all sides of the debate over resource allocation. How SFAF spends its money and what programs it decides to fund are critical questions that raise ethical issues. If, for example, programs targeting communities of color are abandoned, like *Vida y Movimiento* was last year, SFAF needs to inform the community and have a discussion about why that decision was made. It was brought to the board's attention that any ethics panel should include community members, and the ethicists told the board that the community has a right to be heard.

If there's one thing we hope the board took seriously, it is Lebacqz's comments regarding the importance of publicly apolo-

gizing for being unable to serve everyone. Lebacqz told the board that apologizing is "phenomenally important" for agencies that have limited resources and cannot help everyone who needs services.

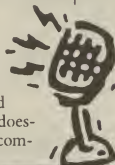
We look forward to the day when we can report that SFAF has instituted an ethics committee, and hope that last week's meeting was the first step toward implementing such a panel. This doesn't mean that money to fund the committee should come from program dollars; we're confident that such a committee could be funded with minimal dollars that could come from SFAF's healthy reserve fund. The ethics committee would go a long way toward the foundation mak-

ing itself more accountable to the community it serves.

Finally, while we're on the subject of ethical questions, it seems fitting that we also take this opportunity to clear the air with our readers over the erroneous reporting that was initially done over the alleged Drummerboy incident in July. Last week we corrected the coverage, and would just like to reiterate that Chicago resident Duncan

McKenzie was neither arrested nor charged in the alleged incident involving him and the former San Francisco Drummerboy, Chris Dover. We sincerely

apologize for the mistaken coverage and like to pride ourselves on getting the story right the first time. ▼



Editorial



Let's focus, friends

by Supervisor Mark Leno

For the last two and a half years the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning (LGBTQQ) Task Force of the San Francisco Youth Commission has been working to address the problem of homelessness amongst LGBTQQ young adults in San Francisco. During this time, the task force has sought both funding and a site for a LGBTQQ-specific shelter that would address the particular needs of this highly challenged population.

As residents and merchants have long been aware, the issue of homelessness in the Castro has been worsening in recent years. Homeless LGBTQQ young adults typically do not feel safe or respected in conventional adult shelters, and have consequently sought refuge in a neighborhood that is known for providing a second chance for people who have fled prejudice, persecution, or actual violence because of their sexual orientation and/or other factors. Unfortunately, the few social service programs for young people that the Castro currently provides do not extend beyond the early evening, so homeless adults are left to sleep on the streets, in doorways of businesses, in the parks, or around private residences. This creates problems for the neighborhood as a whole, as well as for the young adults themselves who may face health issues, drug dealers, unwanted sexual advances, invitations to prostitution, and sexual assault.

To alleviate this problem during the worst of this year's winter months, the city operated a temporary emergency shelter from March 11 through May 17 at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center (EVRC) for 30 young adults each night.

Although the emergency, temporary use of the EVRC posed a myriad of logistical challenges, the shelter program ran fairly smoothly. No fewer than 40 clients made substantial progress exiting homelessness, including finding permanent or transitional housing, securing jobs and/or accessing

medical and psychosocial services. The shelter could not have achieved this high level of success without the patience of the neighborhood, the generosity of merchants and individual supporters and the tireless efforts of over 80 dedicated volunteers, most of whom were from the Metropolitan Community Church.

Since the end of May, residents and merchants have struggled with the influx of homeless individuals, most of whom are new to the area and were not participants of the EVRC shelter. Some of these folks have been rude and noisy and not a welcome addition to the neighborhood. I have visited Collingwood Park and the EVRC and worked with neighbors and the police in an attempt to improve the situation. Some wish to debate "who is to blame." I believe that the reasons for the situation are complex and varied.

Homelessness is not only a citywide concern but a national embarrassment. How can a nation of such prosperity and robust economy be faced with such a huge and growing homeless population? There is no simple answer.

Out of a sincere desire to offer a possible solution, Supervisors Leslie Katz, Tom Amiano, and I secured \$250,000 in this year's city budget to provide shelter and social services targeted toward the homeless LGBTQQ young adults in the Castro area. Simultaneously, the new owner of the City Athletic Club stepped forward to offer the city use of his building at 2500 Market Street for up to two years before he renovates the space for his personal residence. In June, with funds and an offered site in hand, Supervisor Katz and I met with a few city department heads to begin crafting a broad outline of a proposed shelter program. The next logical step was to invite the neighborhood and merchants to a town hall meeting at the site to share our vision and outline of proposal. As expected, we were met with some strong support and some strong opposition. Through

nearly five hours of heated discussion, opinions and emotions were strongly shared. It was agreed that a second meeting would follow at which a citizens' advisory committee (CAC) would be formed to further the debate of the proposal.

While I was prepared to face opposition to our proposal, what has completely surprised me are the pronouncements of distrust, deceit, and suspicion. Endless hours and words have been spent in chastising "the process" which is presently unfolding with great participation. If we are at all to be successful in the face of what is undoubtedly one of the greatest challenges before us today, would it not be wiser to singularly focus on our collective goal? Supervisor Katz and I are eager to hear of creative ideas and suggestions. Ours is but one. If you care to shoot it down, please replace it with a well thought out alternative. I do believe that we are all honestly struggling to somehow improve the status quo.

During the months of March, April, and May I had the opportunity and privilege to get to know the clients of the EVRC shelter program. On my way home each night, I stopped at MCC or the EVRC to lend a hand and offer an interested ear. Through that experience I was able to gain a renewed appreciation for the struggles and challenges of a group of young adults whose hair, piercings, and wardrobes were at times somewhat foreign to me. What was completely familiar were their joys and pains, hopes and fears, dreams and nightmares. The connections I made there completed my days in ways that are hard to describe. I can say that those visits reminded me clearly of why I have chosen to go forward with my public office. The chance to possibly have a positive effect on the quality of our lives is very enticing. I ask for your patience and partnership as we move forward together. The strength of our harmony will amaze us all. ▼

Guest Opinion



LETTERS

Clarification on Drummer titles

Perhaps I can clarify a few points in your August 26 article headlined "SF Drummer Boy resigns over allegations" (sic) by Katie Szymanski. All Drummer titles are owned by *Drummer* magazine and protected by international copyright laws. We are proud to license some 50 local and regional contests throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe each year, including the San Francisco Drummer and Drummer-boy Contest.

As the "owner of the title" therefore, I at no time asked, demanded or even suggested that Chris [Dover] relinquish his title. I have been assured by the local sponsor and our licensee, Philip Turner, that the decision was left entirely up to Chris Dover.

Personally, I would like to echo Peter Fiske and his suggestion about learning a lesson from this unfortunate incident. Hopefully, we can move on with a renewed responsibility, reason and respect towards each other, safety, and the truth.

Robert Davolt
Editor/Publisher, Drummer Magazine
Coordinator, International Drummer Contests

'Attack' on SF Drummerboy

It seems clear that the adolescent temptation to engage in some juicy gossip about a couple of guys in the Leathersex world was just too much for you to resist ["Chicago man arrested for sexual battery of SF Drummer Boy," July 29], which proves that your understanding of our world borders on provincial. Until now, I'd thought that B.A.R. had enough editorial sophistication to know better than to allow itself to be co-opted into character assassination just for the sake of a headline.

Since when is it the paper's habit to report only the alleged victim's side of the story without some serious fact-checking? Since when is it professional journalistic practice to try people's sex practices in the court of public opinion? Are leatherfolk to be the scapegoats of the next decade?

Is it your intention to normalize non-kinky behaviors by engaging in yellow-journalistic smears against SM sexualities which are offered to your readers as thinly disguised "crime" reporting?

It is abusive and disrespectful of the B.A.R. to further marginalize kinky folks by supplying fragments of a situation which serve only to inflame rather than to truly inform. You can mitigate the harm you've done by undertaking some very careful follow-up on the story, supplanting allegations with facts, and making sure that it is not consigned to the back pages. You can do better, and we expect you to do so.

Guy Baldwin
International Mr. Leather, 1989
Mr. National Leather Association, 1989
Los Angeles, CA

[Editor's note: The B.A.R. ran a follow-up August 26 on page one, that stated Duncan McKenzie was neither arrested nor charged in the alleged incident. We deeply regret the errors.]

Response to ACT UP/SF community warning

The "syphilis alert" featured in the August 12 B.A.R. was intended to inform the residents of San Francisco of a serious health risk. Issuing health alerts is one of the Department of Public Health's responsibilities, and one that we take very seriously.

Early syphilis rates have decreased dramatically in San Francisco and across the nation. Rates are now among the lowest they have ever been. For the first time in history, we have an opportunity to eliminate syphilis in San Francisco and throughout the United States.

During the first seven months of 1999, the proportion of early syphilis cases among gay men increased to the highest levels in the past four years. The proportion of cases who reported being HIV-positive also increased significantly. For the first time, in at least five years, we have identified a cluster of related cases among gay men who report meeting the majority of their partners through one particular Internet chat room. A cluster represents a sexual network of transmission and is identified when syphilis patients name the same sexual partners or when a chain of transmission can be identified. Since the "alert" was issued last month, the cluster of early syphilis cases, related to meeting partners on the Internet, has increased from four to seven cases. The seventh case was recently diagnosed in Alameda County. Since more than 90 sexual partners were named by these seven individuals, we have no idea how many others may be infected and not know it.

Syphilis can be easily diagnosed, treated, and cured. However, having syphilis can increase your risk of becoming infected with HIV if you are HIV-negative and can increase your viral load if you are HIV-positive, making you much more infectious to your sexual partners, and damaging your immune system. Currently, syphilis is not endemic among gay men in the city. But, were it to return to the levels reported

in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the results to the community could be devastating.

All sexually active persons should be tested for syphilis regularly. If you think you may have been exposed to syphilis you need to be promptly tested and treated to prevent you from developing the disease. If you want to be checked for syphilis, you can drop in to City Clinic, San Francisco's municipal STD Clinic, which is located at 356 7th Street (between Folsom and Harrison streets). Our clinic has been providing low cost, non-judgmental, high quality, comprehensive, confidential, drop-in STD services to the gay community for more than 40 years and our staff members are experts in their field of sexually transmitted diseases.

Wendy Wolf
Deputy Director, STD Services
SF Department of Public Health

ACT UP/SF = conspiracy terrorists?

The loudest and shrillest voices in San Francisco today, with the possible exception of the frightening re-animated corpses of the bathhouse brigade, are the Peter Duesberg-spawned colony of conspiracy terrorists who believe that HIV is not a virus and that anti-retroviral medications are a plot by the U.S. government and the global pharmaceutical industry to wipe out the gay population.

You have to hand it to these guys. They are well-organized, single-minded, and inexhaustibly zealous.

In fact, they make the Christian Coalition look like a convention of paper clip manufacturers. The handful of them who run ACT UP/San Francisco are so good that they have the poor hapless suckers at the SF Weekly convinced that they are a version of ACT UP gone haywire, kind of like an apostate sect of an organized religion, or a group of intriguing but misguided Luddites, rather than the instigators of a blatant usurpation of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power name in the guise of AIDS activism.

ACT UP/Golden Gate, the putative bearer of the ACT UP standard, seems content to let ACT UP/San Francisco claim the propaganda advantage, sitting in near-invisibility on the laurels of past achievements and serving as a sort of venerable, harmless viral information clearinghouse. Meanwhile, bold-colored posters, stickers, and graffiti go up all over the city proclaiming that "AIDS is over" and that those who are deluded that they have the virus are, in effect, even more marginal than they were before ACT UP/SF stuck its pushy nose into the picture. It's okay for ACT UP/SF to peddle pot to people with HIV and use the revenue to foment a campaign of anti-AIDS hysteria, but as far as doing anything to actually help those with the virus, well, they don't really have the virus in the first place (what they have, if they have symptoms, is the result of stress and inappropriate nutrition), so what's the difference?

Then we have people like Steven Keller (Mailstrom, July 29), who bemoans the fact that there are a few more inconvenient obituaries in the B.A.R. than there used to be, and that there is an overabundance of unsightly "deformed faces," "skinny legs," and, last but certainly not least, the ultimate visual assault, "the loss of rear ends" in the Castro. He blames this phenomenon on antiretroviral medications, though, of course, he offers not a crumb of evidence to back this claim up, and he conveniently does not identify any of the drugs that he claims are "toxic chemicals."

Is this lapse possibly due to the side effects of the ignorance that stems from blind acceptance of propaganda and from an over-reliance on flashy ACT UP/SF full-page ads and bumper sticker slogans? All the warning signs are there: the melodramatic language, the cloying, feigned concern for "young men" with AIDS, the rote repetition of comatose ACT UP/SF catchphrases like "We remain complacent waiting for the 'scientific community' to guide us, tell us how we should live as gay men" and "Some day I hope that we will wake from this dream state most of us are in and start taking charge of our lives." Sounds a lot like an overripe Anthony Robbins infomercial.

Is it conceivable that the gaunt faces and sunken asses that Steven Keller sees are just as likely due to the cheap availability of speed and heroin on the streets of San Francisco and Oakland as to the presence of dastardly Glaxo Wellcome and Bristol-Myers Squibb antiretroviral poisons? Every day, I see enough people with shrunk faces and twig-like limbs on Muni to fill a Francisco de Goya painting, and I am willing to wager my next paycheck that the majority of them are not shriveling up because they are enslaved to protease inhibitors.

But my point is not to moralize against recreational drug use. Nor am I trying to defend the pharmaceutical industry. Of course antiretroviral medications have side effects, and some of them are serious. According to scientists, because of the accelerated approval cycle that rushes new AIDS drugs to the market, 25 to 65 percent of all FDA-approved protease inhibitors have significant side effects. Elevated triglyceride and cholesterol levels and chronic lipodystrophy are a real and growing unanticipated cost of protease

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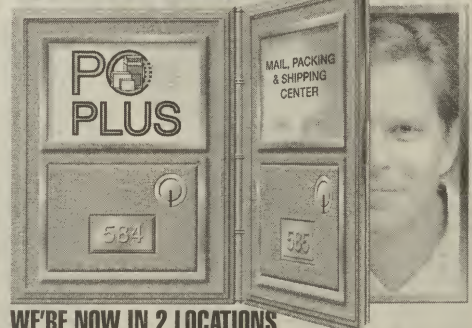
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inhibitor treatment. Nobody wants to get "crix belly," to see his legs shrivel to sticks, and to grow fat deposit humps on his back. But how does anyone with a working brain make the leap in logic from acknowledging that side effects happen to asserting that all medications prescribed to combat HIV are "toxic chemicals"?

I have been taking two non-nucleoside analogs and one NNRTI every day for three and a half years, using the same "hit early, hit hard" approach that Keller condemns. Unless both I and my doctors are missing something more severe than occasional mild tingling in the soles of my feet, I have yet to see any effects from these drugs than exactly those which they were developed to produce, that is, a recurrent normal T-cell count and a depressed viral load.

Is this a placebo effect? If so, it's a placebo that's working. Of course, to give the other side its due, it is estimated that half of all people now infected with HIV, even if they never pop a single pill, will stay symptom-free for up to 10 years after the infection occurs. So, going on meds is definitely a calculated risk. But if you had a choice, and you were faced with a potentially life-threatening illness, would you roll the dice, or would you sit by and allow fate to determine your course? This is a question that the ACT UP/SF crowd is unwilling to tackle. I have made my choice, and I am living with it.

The most disturbing element of this current wave of propaganda is that much of it is fueled by white gay men who have their own political agenda to drive. That agenda has very little to do with concern about public health.

It has a lot to do with a class-based sense of entitlement that denies the concerns of the communities hit hardest by HIV in the late 1990s, which are mostly minority and mostly impoverished, and whose HIV-infected members are likely not have access to antiretroviral drugs even if they want to try them. Those who have the luxury to bitch about the drugs are, in the main, not at all worried about whether they can pay for them or get their insurers to cover the expense if they can't pay for them. If you ask them what they think about the fact that HIV has infected upwards of 1 out of every 4 people in Zimbabwe and South Africa, they stare at you as if you just crawled out of an intergalactic hovercraft. After all, what does a gay man in San Francisco care about what is happening in Harare or Pretoria?

The ACT UP/SF agenda also has a lot to do with a compulsion to rewrite history and to return to a time when the AIDS virus had not yet erupted and gay men were free to have non-stop, condom-free casual sex without worrying about anything worse than colon polyps, canker sores, and the clap. But that time, foot-loose and exhilarating though it may have been, also had a dark side. The "AIDS is over" propaganda machine is obsessed with sweeping that side under the carpet.

That nobody of prominence in the local AIDS establishment is making sure that ACT UP/SF's campaign of lies is publicly and loudly rebuffed every step of the way is nothing short of a social policy travesty.

Frank Martinez Lester
San Francisco

Leno reached consensus on housing issue

Reference is made to the August 26 letter from Messrs. Uscier and Tombe concerning Supervisor Mark Leno's character. Their accusations of sneaky, underhanded, and untruthful tactics seem to be misplaced and not totally on point. While they grant him his right to his opinions on the various topics they raised, they have problems with the timing of his opinions. Whether he supported the freeway issue the day before or four months before the ballot submission was due does not affect the outcome of the ballot decision to be rendered in November. The voters will have their say then; the timing of his decision to place the measure on the ballot does not deny any voter their right to consider the matter, it only gives the voters a choice of options, which I am sure Messrs. Uscier and Tombe would appreciate, regardless of their position in the matter.

Public notice is legally required to be given on City Hall matters, including the matter of the youth shelter. Supervisors Leno and Ammiano cannot be faulted because we as citizens fail to keep ourselves informed on these matters. Yes, there is a lot to keep up with, but that is why we read the B.A.R. and other outlets relevant to our lives.

My most recent experience with Supervisor Leno on the matter of protecting tenants from constructive evictions disputes the authors' contentions. He worked diligently to make sure that the facts were before the public and met on numerous occasions with both factions in the matter to hear their concerns and attempt to address their issues. With some nearly 80 persons testifying on the matter, there was hardly anything "sneaky" or "underhanded" about his tactics. In the tenant-landlord world, compromise is a foreign word. Yet, when all was said and done, there was unanimous support from the major tenant and landlord organizations for the legislation that was ultimately

passed. One does not gain this breadth of support on a housing issue in this town by being sneaky, underhanded, or untruthful.

We may not always like the outcome on a given issue, but we do ourselves and our community a disservice when we attempt to scapegoat our frustrations.

Joe Grubb
San Francisco

Will city officials act on shelter input?

At the August 5 meeting discussing their proposal to convert the former City Athletic Club at 2500 Market Street into a 24 hour, 7 day a week drop-in shelter for 25-30 homeless young adults, Supervisors Leslie Katz and Mark Leno went on record saying they did not want to "impose" a solution to the homeless problem on the neighborhood. Given the autocratic way in which they did just that by temporarily housing the homeless at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center, it was welcome news to many of us in attendance.

However, at the follow-up meeting on August 18, when Supervisor Leno was asked to explain the decision-making criteria that would be employed to determine if a solution was being imposed on the neighborhood, he refused to answer directly. He made it clear that he would listen to input from the community advisory council set up to deal with the proposal, but that he and his colleagues on the board were free to reject the council's recommendations. Since only a minority of residents in the area has actively supported the drop-in shelter proposal thus far, it seems as though the supervisor is retaining the right to overrule the majority of the neighborhood. Sounds like imposition to me, hidden behind political double talk.

Strange, isn't it, how public officials support the democratic process when it gets them elected into office, but feel free to reject the same process when it does not meet the needs of a special interest group pushing an agenda that is detrimental to the Castro and that flies in the face of the wishes of a substantial majority of its residents.

Then again, neither Supervisor Leno nor Supervisor Katz live anywhere near the proposed shelter.

Robert W. Melbourne
San Francisco

More on gay Catholics

Gay Catholic Raphael Whelan defends the hierarchy's position that being gay involves a "tendency toward intrinsic moral evil" (Letters, August 19). What would we think of a black person who belonged to a church that said being black involved a tendency toward evil? Or a woman who belonged to a church that made such a claim about women? Wouldn't we wonder whether those folks had any sense of self-respect?

A lot of gay Catholics attend Most Holy Redeemer Church in the Castro. Do any of them have a sense of self-respect, or a sense of gay/lesbian pride? If so, when are they going to act up against the hierarchy that keeps degrading them? Or are they just a flock of sheep, after all?

Arthur Evans
San Francisco

Exclusion in Gay Asian Pacific Alliance?

An organization dedicated to fighting discrimination against a minority shouldn't discriminate itself, right? Unfortunately, that's not the case with GAPA, covered recently in the Bay Area Reporter ("GAPA's Runway" celebrates gay Asian Pacific creativity," August 12).

There's no question that Asians have historically experienced discrimination and been the subject of cruel stereotypes. It's a sad commentary that GAPA, dedicated to making things better for Asians, will not allow anyone but Asians to become full members. This would be the same as a gay rights group barring straights.

Races working together to fight prejudice has a long and honorable history. The NAACP was partly founded by whites, who played an important role in its growth. I believe strongly in equal opportunity for Asians - I'm a board member of Pacific Friends, which does not discriminate. (I'm writing this letter just as an individual.) I'd love to get involved with GAPA, but refuse to join a group that won't let me become a full member because of my race. In the San Francisco of the 1990s, race-based exclusion like this should be unthinkable.

I hope that GAPA will consider changing its ways and allow all races who believe in their goals to become members. I'd love to help GAPA with the struggle for equal rights, if only I were allowed to become a member.

Michael R. Sher
San Francisco

Attention heterosexual readers

I would like to address any heterosexuals who may read this. At what age did you decide to be a heterosexual?

Pete Walker
San Francisco

POLITICS

Initiative pits state GOP House members against Sacramento lawmakers

by Wayne Friday

An initiative headed for the March 2000 ballot that is officially sponsored by a taxpayers group known as People's Advocates, which has financial backing by the California Republican House delegation, would take the power to reshape California's congressional districts from the Legislature and hand it over to the state's seven Supreme Court justices. Redistricting of the House districts is done every 10 years — after the census — and with Democrats firmly in control of both the Legislature and the governor's office, Republicans in Congress are solidly behind the nationally watched initiative since they are fearful of losing their own seats, or even control of the entire U.S. House of Representatives in future elections.

California House Republicans are shaking at the thought that the Sacramento Democratic-controlled Legislature will reshape House seats that would be very favorable to that party, meaning the GOP could lose as many as six or eight Republican-held House seats. House Republicans are said to be ready to pump millions of dollars into the March 2000 initiative in order to pass the scheme drummed up by the taxpayers group.

To sweeten the plan for voters, the initiative would also kick state legislators in the teeth by not only taking away a December 1998 pay raise — from the previous \$78,624 to \$99,000 annually — that was awarded them by the California Citizens Compensation Commission, but would roll their annual salary back to a permanent \$75,000, and reduce their tax-free expense payments from its present \$30,000 to no more than \$9,000. The initiative would also state that any future raises for state lawmakers would have to be approved by voters. While \$75,000 annually looks like a pretty good salary to most of us, it is not excessive considering that most state legislators must maintain a residence of some kind in Sacramento as well as in their home districts. It should also be noted that the nonpartisan California Citizens Compensation Commission purposely declared that the higher salary of \$99,000 was necessary in this era of term limits to attract qualified candidates who aren't independently wealthy.

Incidentally, while Republicans in Congress are only too happy to roll back the pay of California state lawmakers as an inducement to get support for a plan that might save their own political futures, the Congress itself only recently voted themselves a hefty pay raise. The fact that the California Constitution has long given the power of redistricting to duly elected state legislators seems to be of no con-

cern to those Republican House members who have successfully managed to badly split their own party on the plan that is sure to qualify for the March 2000 ballot, pitting Republicans in the House against fellow GOP members serving in Sacramento. Hypocrisy is the name of this one and you can look for at least a couple of Republican state legislators to switch parties by the time voters act on this power-grabbing plan in March.

Politics and people

The next mayoral debate pitting Mayor **Willie Brown** against principal challengers **Frank Jordan** and **Clint Reilly** is set for this Wednesday, September 8, at Mission High School, sponsored by the League of Women Voters. Meanwhile, I'm hearing that negotiations are about to get started that would allow for similar debates for the district attorney's race as well.

Speaking of which, the Alice B. Toklas Lesbian and Gay Democratic

Club last week endorsed District Attorney **Terence Hallinan** for re-election; former longtime District Attorney **Arlo Smith**, who endorsed Hallinan in the runoff four years ago, will serve as a co-chair of the **Steve Castleman** for district attorney campaign this time around.

What goes around: Representative **Bob Barr** (R-Georgia), the homophobic, Clinton-hating, right wing House member who one reporter called "the most hateful SOB in Congress," and a constant critic of Democratic fundraising practices, has quietly agreed to pay more than \$28,000 in fines to settle charges arising from a Federal Election Commission audit of his 1994 and 1996 congressional campaigns.

Republicans from across the country, desperate to win next year and convinced they have that winner in Texas Governor **George W. Bush**, are frantically trying to sweep Bush's apparent past cocaine habit under the rug, calling the issue "history and irrelevant." The Reverend **Jesse Jackson**, however, is taking a "wait a minute here" attitude. Jackson correctly points out that a majority of the 149,000 people in Texas prisons are serving time for non-violent drug offenses and says, "you cannot say it's not the business of the press or the public when it's actually public policy; you cannot enforce a law that you yourself likely did not adhere to." It should be noted that Bush, who says he has definitely been drug-free for at least a number of years, has lived in Texas since 1968, when that state had some of the nation's toughest and unforgiving drug laws.

And how about Senator **Orrin Hatch** (R-Utah) "apologizing" to the NAACP for a statement he made recently contrasting gay rights and black issues; the GOP

presidential hopeful was widely criticized earlier this month for saying "people of color can't do anything about their color; I do believe that gay people have a choice to live within the legal rules or not — that's why we have civil rights to protect African Americans from discrimination." Like gay Americans don't need protection from discrimination of people like Hatch and his ilk? Only last week the *New York Times* carried a front-page story about openly gay Arizona state Representative **Steve May**, a 27-year-old Republican, who faces getting stripped of his lieutenant bars from the Army Reserve and booted out of the military under President **Bill Clinton**'s infamous "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy simply because he had the guts to admit his sexuality (a fact long known to his Phoenix constituents) by responding to a homophobic attack from a fellow Republican lawmaker on the floor of the state House of Representatives. Arizona's other openly gay legislator, Representative **Ken Chavron**, is a Democrat.

Look for the Vermont Supreme Court to soon decide if that state's constitution allows for gay marriages; observers feel that the somewhat liberal state justices are inclined to favor such unions, and that could make Vermont the first jurisdiction in the country to allow fully equal marriage rights to homosexual couples.

San Francisco Sheriff **Mike Hennessey**, one of the best public servants around, is easily headed for another four years in office since he's running unopposed in November.

Reports have it that San Francisco Public Defender **Jeff Brown**, another man I have a lot of respect for, is likely to be appointed to the bench by Governor **Gray Davis**, possibly within the next year.

Los Angeles City Councilwoman **Jackie Goldberg**, a highly respected lesbian, is seeking the Democratic nomination next year for the state Assembly in that city's 45th District.

The California Republican Party will hold its state convention at the Anaheim Marriott Hotel September 24-26, and even the party leaders are saying that it will be impossible to avoid a war between battling factions.

An unusual amount of mail recently from readers so let me take this opportunity to thank those who write; I appreciate your time and interest.

And how was your week? ▼

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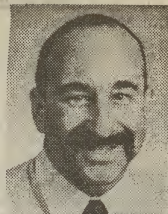
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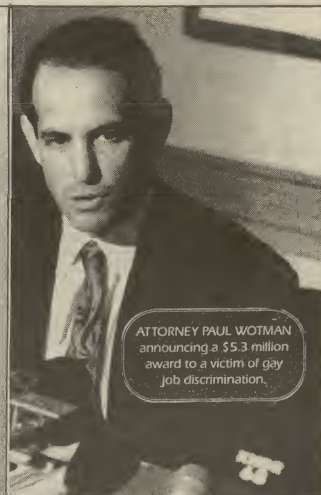
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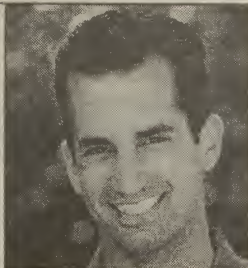
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Y Y2K is OK w/me

by Nancy Boutilier

My father called last night because his new and first computer had frozen up. I talked him through various key combinations that might end the task, close the program, or reboot the whole machine. But alas, virtual sand kept running though the virtual hourglass on his screen as the CPU was at a virtual and literal standstill.

"Well, go ahead and turn it off," I suggested.

"But I can't. It's not responding."

"Not with a key, but with the power switch. Just shut the power off."

"Oh, no," my father said with a hint of the admonishment of one who has learned better of an idea. "I did that a couple of weeks ago by mistake. When I turned it on again afterwards, the computer said that it had not been shut-down properly."

As one who has had more than my share of computer freezes, I am all-too-familiar with those chastising little dialog boxes. However, I only turn off the computer improperly when the computer has performed improperly. Hard drives, and the software designers who authored those little boxes, have considerable nerve in wagging a dialog box at people who cut the power to escape a crash. It's a blaming of the virtual victim.

As for those efficient little dialog boxes, well, what I want to know is this: whose idea of dialogue is it to have OK and CANCEL as one's primary options?

They might as well have you click on "Yes computer-sir."

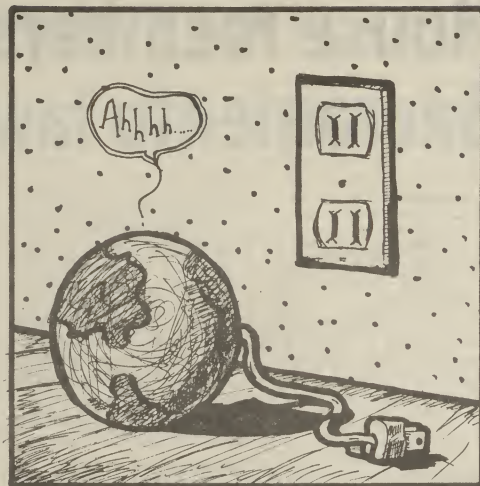
What computers need are safe words. Keystrokes that mean "too much" or "this is beyond my comfort zone." Maybe a dialog box would come up with "I must have screwed up again. I'm sorry for any inconvenience."

Until then, I will unplug the darn thing. I will fight fire with fire: improper functioning merits improper shutdown. It's better than chucking the whole thing out the my window99.

On yet another hand, software designers do have a nice idea. Imagine if people had a built-in mechanism that let others know that they hadn't been shutdown properly after their most recent encounter. Then, when a co-worker arrives at the office, fuming from an ugly exchange on the morning commute, there would be a flash across the forehead: "This person was not properly shutdown. There may be some errors."

Such a warning could be quite helpful before a sexual encounter with a new partner. It might even prompt real dialogue between real people.

As for my dad, who like every new computer user took that



warning to mean "NO. NO. NO. DON'T DO IT AGAIN," he has taken the first step toward recovery from our culture's technotyranny. He has seen that he is powerless over many things digital, but so too he knows that he need not be paralyzed by that fact.

Dad is now past that early computer user belief that hiding on every keyboard is a combination of strokes that will not only destroy every bit on information on the hard drive, but also somehow erase the entire Internet, if not the planet.



Dykeotomy

Perhaps it is my first-hand knowledge of technoparanoia combined with my own admission of powerlessness over the current wave of Penthouse processors and iThings that has half of me rooting for this Y2K bug to descend on all of us like a herd of locusts.

If the people cannot resist the current state of technotyranny, then perhaps we need an act of a virtual god. Maybe there will be an order behind the computer gaffes and glitches. Perhaps there's a master anti-plan coming our way, a passing of judgment, a computer karma, an e-mail accounting for.

All those e-mail accounts which have, to date, sent out the most multiple messages lacking significant content (i.e. spam) will have their own accounts flooded beyond repair.

Who is to say that the Y2K bug won't be a little Puck-ish, or might not have my political agenda? The Pentagon's stored data might be compromised so as to leave the military without any readable copies of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. Instead, a search engine will find an obscure website, called EndTheBan.Com, and download to the Pentagon a series of new files. For lack of other options on their hard drives, military leaders will enact proposals for lifting the

ban, enacting anti-prejudice training throughout the military, and then, only when service members are fit to participate in a non-violent and discrimination-free society will they all be discharged.

Perhaps, like in those old Frankenstein movies, computers will have their brains drained and traded for one another, so that all of Pat Buchanan's files fall into the laptop of the National Center for Lesbian Rights - and vice versa.

It does raise a wonderful question: Whose hard drive would you most like to get you hands on?

How about a satellite dish chip glitch that causes *It's Elementary* to be pulled into every television tube in America at prime time.

Maybe the Y2K bug will get Muni running on time.

My most petty hope is that it will cause the chip in cell phones to counteract anti-lock brake systems, causing not only phone crashes, but also vehicular crashes for those trying to simultaneously drive and dialogue, thus eliminating the current trend of drive and dial.

As for all-the fuss about withdrawing savings from bank accounts, and keeping a careful paper trail of one's finances. Well, I'm counting on the Y2K computer failure to credit me with the millions I do not have in this of 2Kminus1 year, or is that Y2K-1?

Will we have such a shift in order that Y2K will even erase the notions of B.C. and A.D.? Hence forth, the Sydney Gay Games are set for the year Y2K+2, or more commonly noted, 2K.2 (pronounced two kay dot two).

It's a lottery we're all being thrown in together. And why not hope that we win?

The democratic process is supposed to enact what my college professor called "piecemeal" change. The very system is designed for slow steps in progress - too slow for some of us. Perhaps the Y2K bug will speed things up, or at least shake them significantly.

We're due for a redistribution of wealth, aren't we?

In the end, this Y2K bug might have possibilities that are even more queer-friendly than the VW Bug. So, let's not expect the worst that can come from whatever befalls us in the upcoming year. Bug or no bug, let's figure out what that better world would look like. Then, if the bug comes through for us, great.

If not, let's be sure to have a backup. ▼

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HISTORY LESSON

How did the Vietnam War affect gay men?

by David Bianco

U.S. involvement in Vietnam was one of the most hotly contested issues of the late 1960s and early 1970s, the era that also spawned the gay liberation movement. Gay men found themselves on both sides of the conflict, as service members and as anti-war protesters.

Many gay men, like Leonard Matlovich (who later made a test case as an openly gay soldier), willingly enlisted for tours of duty in Vietnam. At the time, Matlovich felt it was his patriotic duty to "kill a Commie for Mommy." But in retrospect, he wondered about his real intentions in enlisting. "I was so dissatisfied with being gay," he later recalled, "that in some ways, volunteering for duty in Vietnam was like a death wish or a suicide pact." Matlovich also noted that he signed up looking for male companionship.

"In country," gay soldiers developed an underground network for finding each other, much as

gay men always had done back home. Gay G.I.s had to be particularly careful, because they were in jeopardy of court martial and prison or dishonorable discharge if caught or turned in. That risk lessened somewhat as the war escalated and the Armed Forces needed more and more fighting power.

During the war, there were at least two gay bars and several other gay-friendly ones in Saigon, though it was risky for servicemen to frequent them. "You ... have to be in uniform when out of quarters," one gay sergeant told *The Advocate* in 1971, "and this makes promiscuous bar-hopping dangerous. ... Also, there's a 10 p.m. curfew."

But gay G.I.s claimed that the best cruising actually occurred right on the bases - at the USO service clubs in Cam Ranh Bay and Danang and at the military swimming pool near the Tan Son Nhut Air Force Base. The verandah of the officers' club at China Beach was also a gay hot spot. At the front, there was of course much less opportunity for privacy and intimacy. Many gay soldiers experienced come-ons from straight comrades who were sexually frustrated by being away from women for long stretches.

Stateside, other gay men did everything in their power to avoid military service. Rey Rivera (aka Sylvia Rivera, one of the transvestites arrested at the Stonewall riots) was drafted in 1967 at 18 and decided to report to the local draft board in full drag - high heels, miniskirt, and red nails. The sergeants in charge assumed Rivera was a woman. But Rivera corrected them and was promptly sent to the psychiatrist, who

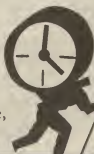
asked if there was a problem with his sexuality. "I don't know. I know I like men," Rivera replied. "I know I like to wear dresses. But I don't know what any problem is." The doctor quickly stamped "HOMOSEXUAL" in red across Rivera's draft notice.

Claiming to be gay became a popular way for straight men to avoid the draft. One draft resisters' manual from 1968 dispensed stereotypes and epithets along with advice: "Act like a man under tight control. Deny you're a fag, deny it again quickly, then stop, as if buttoning your lip. ... And maybe twice, no more than three times over a half-hour interview, just the slightest little flick of the wrist."

The early gay liberation movement was the scene of both draft resistance and anti-war protest. Gay groups and publications encouraged members to resist serving. "Homosexuals will not fight in a war that fucks us over in all its institutions," read an editorial in a San Francisco gay paper late in 1969, summing up the attitude of many gay leftists. "We will not fight in an army that discriminates against us."

Many of those who founded the Gay Liberation Front (which took its name from the Marxist National Liberation Front of Vietnam) had been active in anti-war demonstrations before Stonewall, like the first Moratorium on Washington. After gay liberation took off, they continued the campaign. During the December holidays in 1969, GLF handed out flyers in Greenwich Village near the site of the Stonewall rebellion encouraging people to wear black armbands and to send gifts to G.I.s in Vietnam in the name of peace. The following spring, GLFers shouting, "Suck Cock, Beat the

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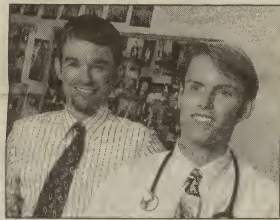


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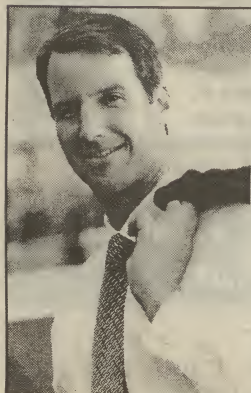
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Carole Fiedler

Police seek help in 'pick up' case

by Jane Warner
and Ron McGlashan

San Francisco police are asking for help in their case against a suspect who has been apprehended for a series of "pick up" robberies in the Castro area.

The suspect is a large man, and often preys on men he meets in Castro bars, using physical force during his robberies. Police believe that many robberies have not been reported and have asked that potential victims or witnesses call them at (415) 553-9198.

Stop or I'll shoot

A clerk at Walgreens at 4948 Castro Street on Thursday, August 26 at 12:15 a.m. observed a man put several bottles of aspirin in a bag and attempt to leave the store

without paying. When store clerks confronted him, the suspect pulled out a syringe and threatened the clerks. The manager of the store let the suspect go, and he ran out, without the bag, in an unknown direction. The total amount of recovered aspirin was \$185.43. The suspect is described as a white male in his 20s, approximately 5 feet 9 inches tall and 180 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes. He was wearing a green jacket, blue and white striped shirt, faded black jeans, and white tennis shoes.



Copy cat

A woman with a history of writing bad checks at various Kinko's stores throughout the Bay Area tried again at 3 a.m. on Thursday, August 26, at the Market Street Kinko's, but was foiled by an alert clerk who recognized her from a store memo and called the police.

The woman allegedly wrote bad checks to purchase Kinko's gift certificates. She then took the certificates to other Kinko's stores, purchased an inexpensive item, and received cash back in return.

Arrested for forgery, possession of false identification, stolen checks, and a warrant out of San

Mateo County was Faith Cooks, 35.

The hills are alive ...

On Wednesday, August 25, at 11 p.m., a suspect approached a person at the Muni stop at Harvey Milk Plaza, grabbed his \$200 boombox, and fled down Market Street. Sergeant Molly Pengel and Officer Teresa Ewins, of the Mission Station, found the suspect and the boombox at the Eureka Valley Playground and arrested him without incident. Booked for theft from a person and possession of marijuana was Kelly "Solo" Guadalupe, 23.

Chain 'em up

There has been a rash of bicycle thefts in the Castro recently, some of which were taken from personal garages. Residents and patrons are advised to lock their bikes and garage or storage doors. ▼

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Murder conviction in 'Jenny Jones' death... again

United Press International

A Michigan jury last Thursday, August 26, found a former *Jenny Jones* TV talk show guest guilty of second-degree murder in the 1995 death of a gay man three days after they appeared for a program about secret crushes.

The verdict mirrors a previous conviction of Jonathan Schmitz in the shotgun slaying of Scott Amedure.

Schmitz' attorney Jerome Sab-

bota vows to appeal. He says Oakland County Circuit Judge Wendy Potts erred by refusing to let him tell the jury about his client's mental illness and alcohol abuse.

The weeklong trial that ended last Thursday began after an appeals court overturned Schmitz' 1996 conviction on a technicality.

Schmitz hung his head and was quickly led away after the seven-woman, five-man jury read the verdict. The jury also found him guilty of a weapons charge.

Sentencing is set for September 14. Schmitz faces up to life in

prison. After his first trial he was sentenced to 25 to 50 years.

A key issue was whether Schmitz was stalked by Amedure, who revealed on stage during a *Jenny Jones Show* taping in Chicago that he had a gay crush on Schmitz.

The prosecution said Schmitz killed out of pure anger after being humiliated on stage by Amedure's description of a sexual fantasy.

In her final statement to the jury, prosecutor Donna Pendergast ratcheted the shotgun used in the slaying, calling it "the last sound" Amedure heard.

But Sabbota claimed his client was "pushed" into a crime of passion after Amedure made sexual advances, including a suggestive note and a flashing yellow light left outside Schmitz's apartment door the night before the slaying.

Shortly after finding the note, Schmitz bought a shotgun and went to Amedure's suburban Detroit home. The victim was shot twice at close range. Minutes later Schmitz turned himself in to police.

Schmitz, a heterosexual, was acquainted with Amedure but did not know he was gay until they appeared in the TV studio. The show never aired.

Earlier this year another Oakland County jury ordered *Jenny Jones Show* owner Warner Brothers and distributor Telepictures to pay the Amedure family \$25 million in damages for a wrongful death. The family claims the show's surprise-and-embarrass tactics for guests triggered the shooting.

The TV companies are appealing the decision. But the Amedure family's attorney says so far interest on the original award has pushed damages up to \$40 million. ▼

Women's music fest alters transgender policy

by Liz Highleyman

The Michigan Womyn's Music Festival (MWMF), a long-lived lesbian and feminist institution and one of the few remaining bastions of lesbian separatism, took a long-awaited step toward transgender inclusion at the annual gathering last month. This year, for the first time in nearly a decade, openly declared transsexual women were allowed to attend the festival.

The MWMF, the largest and second oldest women's music festival in the U.S., had previously permitted attendance by "womyn-born-womyn" only. That policy was put into place in 1991 after the expulsion of a transsexual woman, Nancy Jean Burkholder. Opponents of the policy have argued that it was too vague, and transgender activists and their supporters have challenged the festival's producers to include male-to-female (MTF) transsexuals who live full-time as women. The newly-amended policy excludes those with penises, meaning that post-operative MTF and pre-operative female-to-male (FTM) transgendered people may attend.

As they have for the past five years, transgender activists spearheaded by the group Transsexual Menace set up "Camp Trans" across the road from the main gate of the Hart, Michigan festival site. Camp organizers welcomed all gender-variant women to join them — including "stone butches,"

diesel dykes, high femmes, intersexuals, faggot-identified dykes, genderbenders, gender-blenders, dyke daddies, drag kings, and gendertrash of all descriptions" — not only those who identify as transsexual. Camp Trans was used as a base for protests and educational workshops on gender issues during the event.

"Five years have passed, and while the whole queer movement has embraced inclusiveness and diversity, MWMF still wants to act as the gender police," said Camp Trans organizer Riki Anne Wilchins. "This is a policy that cries out to be challenged."

On Friday morning, August 13, four openly declared trans-identified activists, including Wilchins, attempted to gain admittance to the festival and all were sold tickets. MWMF organizers then modified their womyn-born-womyn policy to exclude only those with penises. A post-operative FTM activist and a pre-operative MTF later left voluntarily. In negotiations at Camp Trans the following day, festival organizers added that attendees must be legally female. Chief organizer Lisa Vogel issued a statement saying that no "panty checks" would be performed, and asked attendees not to question other women's right to be present at the event. After the festival, organizers issued a follow-up statement reaffirming that the event is still for womyn-born-womyn and decrying the attendance of transgender women, but also stating

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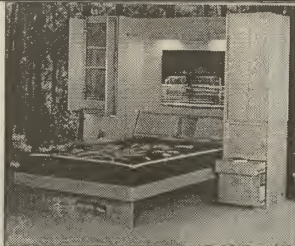
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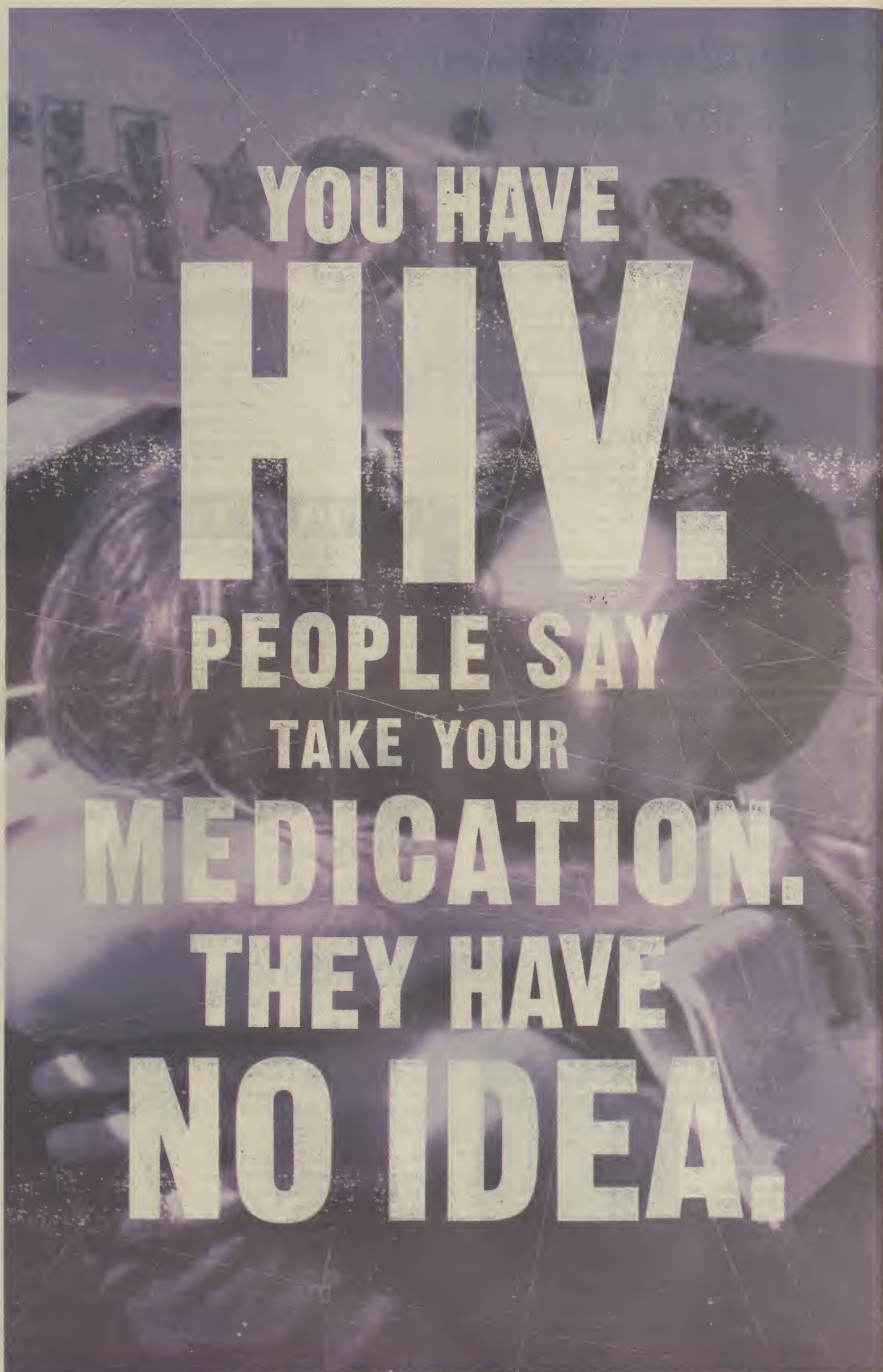


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Can AGENERASE be taken with other medications?

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Does AGENERASE reduce the risk of passing HIV to others?

No. AGENERASE, as well as other anti-HIV medications, has not been shown to reduce the risk of passing HIV to others through sexual contact or blood contamination. Continue to practice safe sex and do not use or share dirty needles.

Who should not take AGENERASE?

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What other medical conditions should I discuss with my doctor?

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COMMUNITY NEWS

DPH syphilis alert sets off alarms

by Liz Highleyman

A recent alert by the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) regarding what the department calls an "outbreak" of syphilis cases among gay men who frequent an online chat room has touched off a flurry of debate over the accuracy of epidemiology, the demonization of gay male sex, and concerns about Internet privacy. The cluster of cases is believed to be the first associated with cyberspace.

The initial July 29 DPH warning, reported in the August 5 issue of the *Bay Area Reporter*, concerned four cases of early syphilis identified over the previous four weeks, plus a fifth case reported in January. Since that time, four more cases have been identified. Seven of the men are from San Francisco, one is from Marin, and one is from Contra Costa. According to the DPH, eight men met their partners through the America Online (AOL) SFM4M chat room, and one used Internet Relay Chat (IRC). All are white gay men who reported unprotected anal and oral sex. The DPH placed a full-page warning ad in the *B.A.R.* the following week, and Health Director Dr. Mitch Katz notified the San Francisco Health Commission of the cluster at the board's August 17 meeting.

Syphilis is a sexually transmitted disease (STD) characterized by genital, anal, or oral sores, followed by a rash; some people have no symptoms. The disease, which can be detected using a blood test, is treatable with penicillin, but can lead to heart damage, dementia, and death if left untreated. Recent research indicates that syphilis lesions can increase a person's susceptibility to HIV infection, and the presence of syphilis may also lead to increased HIV viral load. According to a study by Dr. Harrell Chesson and colleagues that appeared in the July 30 issue of *AIDS*, approximately 1,000 new heterosexually transmitted cases of HIV infection were attributable to syphilis in 1996. Five of the seven recently diagnosed San Francisco men were HIV positive.

Epidemiological reports indicate that syphilis rates are at an all-time low nationally; according to a recent study entitled "The Social and Health Landscape of Urban and Suburban America," syphilis rates in the 25 largest U.S. cities decreased 75 percent from 1990 to 1996. Cases have also de-

clined in San Francisco. There were 30 percent fewer reported cases of early syphilis in the city in the first six months of this year (17 cases) compared to the first half of 1998 (25 cases); the number of later-stage syphilis cases was 62 in the first six months of this year and 64 in the first half of 1998.

Dr. Jeffrey Klausner, DPH director of STD control, called the chat rooms "a new venue where men who have sex with men have an opportunity to meet a wider population of potential sex partners." Klausner told the *B.A.R.* that chat rooms are not unique, but are "like sex clubs, parks, rest stops, and bars" in providing an opportunity for men to meet many new sexual contacts in a short period of time. Klausner said that "different venues [associated with STD transmission] pop up every few years." IRC and other online discussion forums have existed for more than a decade, but have grown greatly in popularity over the past few years.

Cyberspace has presented new challenges for public health officials due to the anonymity afforded by online communication. Many of the men affected by the recent spate of syphilis cases knew each other only by their "handles," or screen names. Katz noted that this anonymity has made it "extremely difficult and challenging" to locate and notify men who had potentially been exposed. Unlike HIV infection and AIDS, which health officials are prohibited by law from disclosing, partner tracing and notification is standard procedure for syphilis, gonorrhea, and other STDs.

DPH officials approached AOL, which declined to break its policy against disclosing the actual names of members "unless required to do so by law or legal process," or in extraordinary cases of impending danger. In 1997, AOL was criticized for failing to adhere to its own policy when it revealed to investigating military authorities the identity of Chief Petty Officer Timothy McVeigh, who used the word "gay" in his member profile. McVeigh was ousted from the Navy, reinstated under the orders of a U.S. district judge in January 1998, and later resigned.

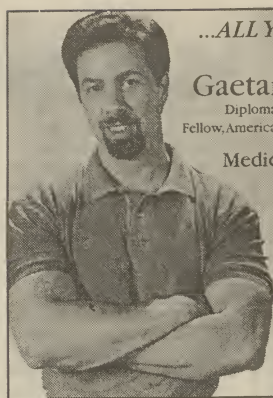
AOL put the DPH in contact with PlanetOut, a large queer online community affiliated with the Internet service. PlanetOut staff and volunteers participated in the SFM4M chat room and sent users electronic mail and instant mes-

sages warning them about the cluster of cases and urging them to practice safe sex and get tested for syphilis. Klausner told the *B.A.R.* that 99 men had been identified as contacts by the nine infected men, including one man who named 47 partners. Klausner said syphilis testing rates in the city had doubled, and that a third of the identified contacts had been tested.

Media from coast to coast picked up syphilis story, including technology news sources that rarely report on gay sex issues; many could not resist sensationalizing the cyberspace angle. In recent years the media has associated the Internet with pornography and pedophilia, treating the Net as a new and unique phenomenon rather than the latest in a long line of places to meet for sex. Internet chat rooms have also recently played a prominent role in media coverage of barebacking among gay men. As media reports proliferated, an increased number of anti-gay messages began to appear in the SFM4M chat room, which Klausner had identified by name. Users claimed that some of the messages contained profanity and death threats.

Some local activists have criticized the DPH for publicizing the syphilis outbreak in the mainstream media and failing to hold public meetings to inform the gay community directly about the recent cluster of cases. Some have also asserted that the DPH is blowing recent events out of proportion. According to Michael Petrelis, the DPH - which he has labeled the Department of Public Hysteria - unjustifiably focuses on the sexual behavior of gay men even though STD rates among heterosexuals are considerably higher. Petrelis called for the DPH to provide proof of the recently reported cases and their connection with the Internet, and called for a series of monthly public forums between the STD control branch and the gay community.

Dave Pasquarelli of ACT UP/San Francisco told the *B.A.R.* that the group was "outraged that Jeffrey Klausner has called in the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Epidemic Intelligence Service to slam gay sex and scare up more STD test subjects." The group placed a critical full-page ad in the August 19 *B.A.R.* asserting that the "syphilis scare is an anti-gay lie," and characterizing the actions of the DPH as part of "a relentless crusade to demonize gay male sex as diseased and deadly." ▼



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GHB ODs

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of GHB in his bar, and Peterson said his staff has also become more responsive in trying to get the word out to people about the party drug.

"We're very proactive in warning people of the dangers of drugs like GHB," said Peterson. "We've posted warning signs about GHB. People have got to be aware that they need to be more responsible."

Second incident

The second pair of GHB overdoses happened almost 48 hours after the Endup incident. At 4 a.m. Monday, August 30, emer-

gency medical personnel were called to the Pleasuredome at 177 Townsend Street to assist two men who were reportedly unconscious from GHB. Both men were also treated and released from SFGH.

GHB has led to more than 40 reported deaths nationwide since 1995. San Francisco Medical Examiner Dr. Boyd Stevens told the *B.A.R.* that he tallied four deaths in the past two years linked to GHB. In all the deaths, GHB users had combined the substance with alcohol or other drugs. Although it was once sold legally and touted as a muscle builder, possession of GHB has been illegal in California since 1997. Health experts say GHB's chemical cousin, GBL (gamma

butyrolactone), metabolizes into GHB when ingested and is just as dangerous.

GHB has remained popular with club-goers. One of the overnight nursing supervisors at SFGH, Doreen Meyer, told the *B.A.R.* that the hospital's emergency room sees a number of other similar cases each weekend. The overdoses last weekend have been preceded by a number of other similar incidents over the past several months in clubs throughout San Francisco.

The incidents are another black eye for the South of Market (SOMA) dance club industry, which has been trying to clean up its image and fight what it calls police harassment of the clubs. ▼

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Oral sex

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for three HIV prevention studies.)

Vittinghoff and Buchbinder, co-authors of the recent study of 2,189 HIV-negative gay and bisexual men that attempted to assign relative levels of risk for various sex acts, focused their comments on describing the "risk factors" shared by many of the 49 men who seroconverted during their 18-month study. These factors included: high numbers of sex partners, including those who said they were HIV-negative as well as those who were HIV-positive, getting fucked without a condom, and—less widely reported—use of methamphetamines, and uncircumcised penises.

Appearing to back off from previous assertions that their study, published in the August issue of the *American Journal of Epidemiology*, showed an approximate 1 in 2,500 risk of HIV transmission via unprotected oral sex with ejaculation (none of the study's seroconverters reported exclusive oral sex), Vittinghoff said, "The evidence is clear that it does sometimes happen, but we can't determine what the risk is." He reported that 24 of the men in

the study practiced oral sex exclusively, but "none became infected."

Attempting to translate all the arcane statistics and terminology was Paul Cotton, director of health programs at Steamworks, a gay bathhouse in Berkeley. He said that the most frequent question he gets from bathhouse clientele is, "How risky is oral sex?"

Kim Shafer, an epidemiologist with UCSF, said that she had done a thorough review of large cohorts of gay and bisexual men and, based on this review, estimated that perhaps 2 percent of gay and bisexual men who seroconvert become infected through oral sex.

"This is just a number, and we as a culture get hung up on numbers," commented Cotton. "It concerns me that media take these numbers and puts out a headline that says 'Oral Sex is Unsafe!' What we can say is that oral sex is unsafe, but it's a lot less risky than anal sex."

Cotton also spoke about the need to respect each individual's choices in determining the level of risk they are willing to take. "In the last few years, we've seen a lot more people willing to have unprotected anal sex," he said. "Some people like myself have found it very easy to draw lines in the sand. For other people, that line shifts,

and it can move the risk. Some people find that for a period of time, it's great to throw the condoms out the window, and that's an okay thing."

One questioner was particularly concerned about Buchbinder's assertion that uncircumcised men may be at increased risk for HIV, particularly given the higher ratio of uncircumcised men among communities of color.

Buchbinder responded that although this observation has not been duplicated in other studies, "My guess is that if it is a link, it could be an association with increased risk of herpes and other sexually transmitted diseases" in uncircumcised men, which could make individuals more susceptible to HIV infection.

Presenters were also unable to say whether use of speed and other methamphetamines, as well as poppers, led to an increased risk of HIV infection because of behavioral change, or due to suppression of the immune system.

Another questioner asked panelists to describe the level of risk for an HIV-negative top having unprotected anal sex with an HIV-positive partner, to which Buchbinder responded, "The risk is low enough that it doesn't come up as an independent risk factor."

Buchbinder also commented that, "It is reasonable to assume that insertive oral sex is not risky."

One young man stood up at the end of the meeting and commented, "In the real world it sounds like fucking with condoms and sucking without condoms should continue to be the party line." He said that this has been his practice, and that for him, it will continue to be so.

The two-hour forum was repeatedly disrupted by the protest-

ers, who heckled the presenters and held aloft small signs reading, "another lying researcher." Many of the audience members found the protesters' outbursts offensive enough to elicit counter-chants of "Shame, shame, shame!"

After repeated warnings, four of the activists were dragged from the room by officers from the San Francisco General Hospital police force and the San Francisco Police Department; two of the protesters were arrested and later released. ▼

HIV prevention trials recruiting

by Terry Beswick

Bay Area researchers are currently seeking HIV-negative volunteers for three HIV prevention studies:

• **The Explore Study.** This three-year study will compare two approaches to HIV prevention counseling. Sponsored by the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), the study will divide 620 local volunteers into two groups: half will receive standard HIV testing and counseling every six months; the other half will meet 10 times with a counselor to discuss their sexual choices and the situations that cause them to be more or less safe.

For more information about Explore, contact DPH at (415) 554-9068 or e-mail research@dph.sf.ca.us.

• **The AIDS VAX Trial.** The first study of an experimental preventive HIV vaccine to reach the final stages of testing, this study will enroll 5,000 men and women in the U.S., Canada, and Puerto Rico. There is no risk of acquiring HIV infection from the seven AIDS VAX injections given to participants during the three-year blinded trial. One third of the participants will receive a placebo. The study, which will be closing enrollment in September, requires 16 visits to the study site, where HIV testing and safer sex counseling will be provided.

For more information about AIDS VAX, contact the San Jose site through the Santa Clara Department of Public Health at (408) 885-7008. In San Francisco, contact DPH at (415) 554-9068 or e-mail research@dph.sf.ca.us.

• **The HOT Study.** The HIV Oral Transmission Study will enroll 400 men and women in San Francisco and Los Angeles, and is designed to study the factors associated with oral acquisition of HIV infection. UCSF researchers are seeking volunteers who "believe they might be at risk of HIV infection, and whose primary sexual behavior is oral sex" for this three-year study.

For more information about HOT, call the UCSF Center for AIDS Prevention Studies toll-free at (888) ORAL-HIV. ▼

Franco hit & run

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have been confined to a wheelchair and have limited use of his hands, which would have killed him."

In addition to his motorcycle, Martin enjoyed calligraphy and computers. He had never had a motorcycle accident in his 25 years of riding.

Two weeks ago, it looked as though Martin was getting better. Martin never regained consciousness, but his vital signs were good.

"He looked fine," according to Manning.

But the last of many infections

sent Martin's temperature above 105 degrees. His fever, combined with a low blood pressure of 26/15 for more than an hour, caused his heart to stop.

"He was well medicated, in no pain, and had his loved ones next to him," Manning said.

Both Manning and Martin's former lover Harlow Griffith were by Martin's side when he died. The three were good friends, a situation that Manning calls "very unusual, and very wonderful."

Manning and Martin were lovers from 1981 to 1982, parted amicably, and then resumed their romantic relationship in 1994. They celebrated their commit-

ment with a ceremony on Valentine's Day in 1995.

"I will miss his smile, his laugh, and his great personality," said Manning. ▼

The wake for Franco Martin will be held Thursday, September 2 (today), from 3 to 8 p.m. at Johnson Funeral Home on Monterey Street in Morgan Hill. Call (408) 779-8456 for more information. The funeral will be held Friday, September 3, at 10 a.m. at St. Catherine's Church, 17400 Peak Street, Morgan Hill. Call (408) 779-3950 for more information.

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SFAF board gets ethics lesson

by Cynthia Laird

At what was a fascinating discussion, three respected Bay Area ethicists addressed the San Francisco AIDS Foundation's (SFAF) board of directors last Thursday, August 26, in an effort to help the board learn how to incorporate an ethical dimension to the agency's work. Board members and the few audience members on hand listened in rapt attention as the ethicists embarked on a discussion of how agencies like SFAF can act more ethically, and how to justify decisions made — particularly regarding resource allocation — to the community.

Board member Angela Padilla explained that the desire to hear from ethicists stemmed from the board's Big Questions Committee, and the need to find answers to questions such as how does an agency remain on the cutting edge with limited resources, and how to have ethical decision-making around the HIV/AIDS epidemic "where everyone is needy and everything is an emergency."

Michael Mendiola, an assistant professor of Christian ethics at the Pacific School of Religion (PSR) in Berkeley, and Karen Lebacqz, professor of theological ethics at PSR, were joined by Berkeley ethicist and consultant John Golenski. Padilla started off with asking them each to provide a definition of ethics.

"A descriptive metaphor is correlative visioning," Mendiola explained. "Ethics is the effort to

take off lenses, so to speak, and subject [things] to critical reflection. Ethics is a discipline of hard, careful thinking subjected to critical scrutiny."

He and the others agreed there are no "magic answers," nor is there a tidy formula. There is also "no guarantee we will be right," Mendiola said.

Lebacqz pointed to several things that are especially crucial,

implicit and explicit promises made by an organization must be honored if the organization is to be ethical, and that agencies such as SFAF should tell the truth.

Mendiola, whose specialty is studying suffering, told the board that no matter how many resources SFAF has, it will never conquer suffering. "It's an intrinsic part of the human condition," he said.

Laying ethical cards on the table is what you need to do the most

such as what makes an action right or wrong; the character or virtue of people; and structures and systems, such as governmental bodies and large organizations. "Large institutions tend to perpetuate themselves," Lebacqz said, adding that the systems and structures themselves affect human life.

Golenski, who counts among his clients the national Kaiser health system, said ethical reflection "only arises when there is a problem." He added that in all organizations there are legitimate differences of opinion, as there are in life, and there are "real differences in our cultures."

All three panelists agreed that as an organization with limited resources, SFAF will never be able to help everyone who needs services. Nevertheless, Lebacqz and Mendiola pointed out that im-

"Can we ethically weigh one form of suffering against another? Is that what we've come down to? It seems exactly what we do in resource allocation and I'm very uncomfortable advocating that as an ethical stance," Mendiola added. "My own stance is if some needs can't be met it is because of the reality of limited resources, not because you don't count."

Lebacqz agreed. "There is no acceptable level of suffering," she said, adding that from the Jewish and Christian tradition, "justice does require focus on those oppressed or poor." If SFAF must choose, Lebacqz said, they should help those least able to help themselves, which Padilla pointed out is consistent with SFAF's mission, which is, "Committed to ending the HIV pandemic and the human suffering caused by AIDS."

Ethics panel recommended

Golenski advised the SFAF board to institute an ethics panel, a group of people who could come together and meet over specific ethical questions, such as resource allocation or program issues. "I'd strongly advise a routine mechanism to review those situations before they happen, to consider those questions," he said. "In hospitals, they are called ethics committees."

He added that those panels typically include community members and people who have

had some training in ethics. He also said it's important for community members to have input. "People have a right to speak and be heard," Golenski said, adding that such input from the community should not be ignored.

Lebacqz pointed out another important aspect to organizations operating ethically. "If you say there's no acceptable level of suffering and can't meet that, there's another moral step, I'm going to call it the apology. That says, 'We are sorry that we cannot do this.' Saying 'We are sorry' is phenomenally important."

"That's a little piece of justice that often dangles. It has to do with acknowledging sorrow that you couldn't do the other things," Lebacqz said. "I imagine this is a frequent occurrence for you."

Mendiola also put out a procedural challenge to the foundation. "Consider honestly what decision lies behind allocations. Whose values do they reflect? What does it mean for SFAF to be a just institution? Laying ethical cards on the table is what you need to do the most." ▼

Women's fest

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that gender verification would not be done.

Despite the new compromise policy, several confrontations and debates occurred over the course of the weekend event between the transgendered activists and their

supporters and those who disagreed with the change. Wilchins said that one verbal confrontation Friday evening grew to include some 200 of the festival's 7,000 attendees. A group of Lesbian Avengers escorted the transsexual activists to offer protection and support. A number of non-transsexual attendees wore Transsexual Menace T-shirts, including three

festival staffers who were reportedly fired for wearing the provocative garments while on duty at the main gate.

According to Wilchins, "The big change was that five years ago at the original Camp Trans, it was transsexuals struggling with the festival. But this year it was young, radical lesbians struggling with other lesbians." ▼

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'Don't Ask' snares lawmaker Steve May

by Bob Roeher

The military's anti-gay policy of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" (DADT) is taking new twists with the investigation of Steve May, a lieutenant in the Army Reserve. It is based in part upon what he said at an Arizona state Legislature committee hearing in February. The kicker is that May is no ordinary citizen, he's the state representative from east Phoenix.

The committee was debating an anti-gay bill that would have barred local governments from paying for health insurance benefits extended to the domestic partners of their employees. It was championed by Karen S. Johnson, a rabidly homophobic Republican member of the Legislature. She has condemned homosexuals as immoral. May has called her an ignorant bigot.

May, a freshman Republican, had planned to sit quietly, but the misrepresentation became too much for him to stomach. He rose to speak, "When you attack my family and you steal my freedom, I will not sit quietly in my office."

"This Legislature takes my gay tax dollars, and my gay tax dollars spend the same as your straight tax dollars. If you're not going to treat me fairly, don't take my money," May said.

The contentious issue played prominently in the Arizona media, with May's comments front and center. The Legislature eventually voted down the anti-gay measure.

May was in the inactive reserve when all of this transpired. He was not attending weekend training sessions but he was subject to a call up. That call came later in February when bombs started dropping on Kosovo. He was ordered to the active reserve and began reporting for monthly training duty.

The military should not have been surprised to know that May was gay, though they possibly could have missed the lower key

media coverage of the fact during his two previous campaigns for office. Once again the "wartime" needs of the service allowed gays to serve when it was convenient for the military.

But the end of hostilities brought a different tune. On August 7 the Army opened an investigation into whether or not May is gay and should be discharged under DADT.

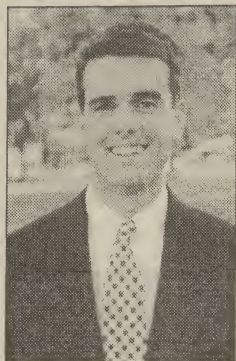
Reluctant activist

May could be the young Republican poster boy were it not for his sexual orientation. Clean-cut and earnest, he was raised a Mormon, became an Eagle Scout, served two years in the Army and in the reserves he is second in command of a battalion of 200 soldiers. He modernized his family's small business, importing and wholesaling herbal tea. He has been "married" for four years to Paul Quinn. He lost his first race for the Legislature but won last fall and represents the neighborhood where he grew up. That's a lot to cram into the resume of a 27-year-old.

May says he would like to devote his energies to things like improving education, reducing taxes, and fostering economic development. While he has been open about his sexual identity for several years, he in no way sees himself as a gay activist. So he is frustrated by the vortex of bigotry and fate that keeps drawing him into the limelight of gay issues.

He argues that he didn't violate DADT because he never discussed being gay while on active duty. Stacey Sobel is an attorney with the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN) and is advising May. She doesn't think that will hold water, since DADT "has been applied very broadly in the past."

At an August 27 news conference in Manhattan, co-sponsored by Log Cabin Republicans, SLDN, and the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, May expressed his continued willingness to fulfill his mili-



Arizona Representative Steve May

tary commitment. He called for an end to the failed Pentagon policy.

"At a time when recruiting and retention is becoming a serious problem, and some members of Congress are discussing a re-instatement of the draft, how much longer will we degrade our military readiness by discharging competent, qualified, trained men and women? ... This policy must come to an end."

The plot thickens

Sobel believes that May is the only elected official to have been investigated under DADT. He is

also the only openly gay Republican state legislator. Is this pure coincidence? Or could there be partisan political motivation behind the action?

About the same time the Army decided to open its investigation into May, the National Stonewall Democratic Federation released a briefing paper attacking Republican presidential front-runner George W. Bush for his positions on gay issues. The Democratic National Committee released a similar paper on "fairness" issues. Both groups have very strong ties to the flailing Gore campaign and fear the erosion of support for the candidate within the gay community.

Many political observers see May's relatively high political profile and his strong defense of the gay community as one of the most pro-gay symbols the Republican Party has to offer. Could someone want to tarnish this rising star? Plausible scenarios can be scripted for villains from both the left and the right.

But regardless of how and why the investigation of May was begun, it may have opened a Pandora's box of new legal pathways for challenging DADT.

The U.S. Supreme Court has been willing to hem in First Amendment rights to free speech in the context of the military. It has consistently given the highest

level of protection to political speech. In the court's hierarchy, no speech is more political than that of an elected official performing his duties.

As Representative Barry Wong, a Republican representing north central Phoenix, told the *Arizona Republic*, discharging May from the Army Reserve would violate his right to speak out as a legislator and his constituents' right to be represented by him. "The House and its lawyers should be defending him," Wong said.

That raises the fascinating specter of the Arizona Legislature litigating against DADT, or May's constituents filing a class action suit against DADT for violation of their rights to representation. These routes to challenging DADT would not have been dreamed of in even the wildest scenarios as recently as a month ago.

Evan Wolfson is an attorney with the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, which has led many of the constitutional challenges to DADT. He said they are in contact with May and are exploring the legal options.

"May's story is a compelling example of how destructive and flawed this policy is, from top to bottom," Wolfson said. "The policy itself generates the stigma that they [the Pentagon] are now claiming that they want to fix." ▼

Settlement reached in lesbian patient case

by Katie Szymanski

Doctors may think twice about discriminating against their lesbian and gay patients, thanks to a settlement reached by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Southern California last month.

The case was filed on behalf of Michelle Dupont, a lesbian who said she was discriminated against during a routine medical

visit.

Dupont claimed that in June 1998, Dr. Ronald Axtell of the Bristol Park Medical Group in Mission Viejo told her to plan on seeing a different doctor in the future, due to his personal beliefs on homosexuality.

The ACLU filed the case in May and settled July 19, but terms of the settlement were not finalized until early August.

According to the settlement, Dupont will receive an undis-

closed amount of money in damages. Additionally, the Bristol Park Medical Group must provide sensitivity training to its staff, mandate that its employees sign and abide by a non-discrimination policy that includes sexual orientation, and post signs at each medical facility stating the group's non-discriminatory policies.

Bristol Park Medical Group publicly apologized for the incident last week. ▼

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Joseph Anthony Hart

Joseph Anthony Hart, 51, died on August 21 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Miami, of cancer.

A highly decorated Vietnam Vet who served two terms, Joe received the Purple Heart twice and 17 combat decorations. It should be noted that as a "tunnel rat" he became exposed to the defoliant Agent Orange.

Joe lived happily in San Francisco for several years and made many friends here. Among other things he participated in the Rainbow rent strike, the Butterfly Brigade, and the Proposition 6 Briggs Initiative.

Joe was director of a medical marijuana dispensary in Key West, Florida. "Advocating for the legalization of mar-

ijuana was his big quest," said Michael Marko, a friend who photographed Hart for *High Times* magazine. "Often times he supplied patients' marijuana from his own pocket. He never sold it for a profit." Joe was involved in the Philadelphia Project, a federal class-action lawsuit for medical marijuana legalization, which is still pending.

Because he wanted no funeral, none is planned. However, in honor of Joe, there is a potluck scheduled by Joe's friends Saturday at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Key West. On Sunday a gathering at a "slightly risqué" bingo parlor and a lively dinner is planned by Joe's medical marijuana clients.

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Christian J. Horvath

April 4, 1948 — August 12, 1999



Our dear friend Christian J. Horvath, also affectionately known as "Mr. Christian," died suddenly in San Francisco on Aug. 12, 1999, at age 51, of a heart aneurysm.

He was an eccentric, talented artist who designed and created Art Deco movie-house lamps which could have been seen on display at The Bridge Theater on Geary Blvd., City Lights Bookstore and other locations in the city. He was a lover of theater and classic movies. He studied in film and he trained at Jean Shelton's Acting School. He also graduated from

U.C. Berkeley with a B.A. in sociology. He was a fine dining server at Alfred's Steakhouse and Rustica.

He is survived by one brother and two sisters, all of Oregon state, and his friends of San Francisco.

"In 25 words or less," we love and will miss our dear, lovable, funny, eccentric Mr. Christian.

Albert "Franco" Martin

October 16, 1953 — August 29, 1999



Albert Martin, better known as "Franco," died of injuries suffered in a hit-and-run accident on July 12th.

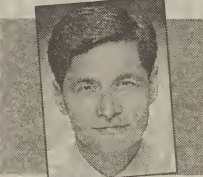
Franco is survived by his mother Helen, sister Linda, and brother Albert as well as by favorite niece and nephew Tony and Melinda and by many aunts, uncles and cousins, all from Morgan Hill.

Franco is the Domestic Partner of Dick Manning, who along with Harlow and Rob were at Franco's bedside when he died. Franco's many friends, chief among them Hobbit, Eric, Dale, Frank, Owen, Bob and Laura, will remember him for his gentle wit, great smile, and endearing personality.

A wake in Franco's memory will be held Thursday, 3-8 p.m. at Johnson Funeral Home on Monterey St. in Morgan Hill. Phone (408) 779-8456. The funeral will take place 10 a.m. Friday at St. Catherine's Church, 17400 Peak St. in Morgan Hill. Phone (408) 779-3950. A Memorial Service is planned for mid-October here in San Francisco. For further details, phone 550-2327.

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Recruiting, retention plague ACRC

by Marv. Shaw

Analyzing the current financial difficulties of ACRC (AIDS Community Research Consortium), Executive Director Michael Edell recently explained to the *Bay Area Reporter* how the problems arose and how the very excellence of the Peninsula agency's operations have made solutions difficult to evolve.

The agency is in the midst of raising \$100,000 in an effort to maintain its programs.

In large part, the cash shortages stem from the firms that have been sponsoring the testing that is ACRC's main work. Contracts for projects have been delayed because the pharmaceutical companies have been unable to finish the design and manufacture of the substances needed for the testing.

The difficulty of recruiting patients willing to be the subjects of various studies has also hindered the organization, Edell said, in part because of the way drug companies operate. When asked if the companies would be willing to advance funds for a study prior to a treatment study cluster of patients being developed, Edell explained, "They won't work that

way." The companies demand the recruitment and organization of a treatment group as the essential first step.

Currently, one treatment group in particular needs to be organized, funded, and presented for study: a cluster of patients who are co-infected with HIV and hepatitis C.

Bringing together such a group could be a complex problem, Edell pointed out, and one that would demand the highest of ACRC's case management services. Edell described such services as needing to have cultural identification with community members in as many ways as possible. Only then can the stigma of infection be overcome and the study proceed efficiently.

Even items such as clothing for children in a family where people are living with HIV becomes important when a human connection must be achieved.

Maintaining a highly skilled group for recruitment and treatment becomes a critical factor in such an operation. Edell believes the experts who have hired on at ACRC are absolutely top flight for the job and he pointed out that these employees would easily be snapped up by other employers.

He is plainly proud that they stay with ACRC. The competition, however, is intense, and while only a few have left their positions for various reasons, competing with other employers becomes more of a threat as long as funding is a problem.

Edell sees fighting apathy in the community as another potential continuing problem. While the publicity about the effectiveness of current combinations of treatments must not be discounted, he believes that keeping up the combination of new treatments, such as a compound called pegylated interferon, and keeping the human ties to the community is vital.

The \$100,000 that ACRC is in the midst of raising is viewed as an amount that will tide the agency over until the pharmaceutical companies are ready to test new products. In the meantime, Edell hopes that similar testing organizations, such as universities, will not draw away the trained community workers at ACRC. ▼

Contributions to ACRC can be sent to 1048 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063-1633. For more information, call (650) 364-6563.

AIDS/HIV Nightline seeks volunteers

by Terry Beswick

The AIDS/HIV Nightline, which provides telephone emotional support, crisis counseling, and general information for anyone with HIV concerns, is seeking volunteers. Rolph Shanabruch, program coordinator, told the *Bay Area Reporter* that the Nightline needs "people who have a commitment to being compassionate, understanding listeners."

Prospective volunteers are asked to participate in an intensive training program; a training for new volunteers begins Thursday, September 9.

Volunteers answer calls during four-hour shifts between the hours of 5 p.m. and 5 a.m., seven days a week. Currently, there are about 50 active volunteers at the 10-year-old Nightline, which receives 850 to 1,000 calls a month. According to Shanabruch, about 10 to 20 percent are "crisis" calls, including people who are suicidal. Other callers are simply having "a bad day" and need someone to talk to, or need a referral for more information on an AIDS-related topic. All calls are handled with complete confidentiality.

"We're looking for people who can have callers tell them their most intimate problems without judgment," said Shanabruch

"They need to be able to imagine what it might be like for the caller, and reflect it back to them."

The AIDS/HIV Nightline is the only nighttime HIV telephone counseling and referral service in the country. San Francisco callers may reach the Nightline at (415) 434-AIDS; from throughout California, the number is (800) 273-AIDS. A new national toll-free number is now being implemented, which is expected to increase call volume significantly. ▼

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Cruel cruel summer

by Jim Provenzano

Every year at my hometown's county fair, the ride to show your bravery was the Bullet, a silver spiraling cone that spun around on a rickety stand like a pencil sharpener on crutches.

To endure the Bullet was a badge of honor. To endure it while drunk and/or stoned, and not hurl, was to achieve notoriety, if not the badge.

To bail, avoid it, and not even try it after a certain age, was the sign of a wimp. To fear even the granny-safe Ferris wheel was the mark of a true wimp.

That would be me. When I was about 6, I got my leg caught in a cheap little Ferris wheel at a dinky county fair. One inch this way or that and I'd now be writing about my experiences as a one-legged soccer player, but fortunately that didn't happen, and all I lost was a shoe, so you've been spared my weepy Oprah moment as a gay monopodal athlete.

I also recall a day at Cedar Point, the theme park immortalized in *Edge of Seventeen*. As a tot of 8, I ran out of momentum on a huge slide where kids swooped down in burlap sacks. The only problem was, if you braked, you ended up stuck on a scalding hot wave of plastic. Fortunately, when the indolent attendants did nothing, my father bravely scaled up the slide, risking slight burns, and saved me. Other kids have not been so lucky.

At Vallejo's Marine World the Boomerang got stuck on August 25. Almost 30 people were on the

ride when it jammed 70 feet in the air, some left dangling upside down.

As the debacle and slow-paced rescue mission was broadcast live on TV, stuck passengers were given festive sunhats as they waited for hours to be saved on cranes. For passive suburbanites looking for a cheap thrill, they got their money's worth.

Christie Vaughn, a Marine World rep interviewed on Channel 7, bragged about the "2 million riders served with no incident," Orwellianly correcting the "upside down" reference to note that passengers were actually stuck in a "side-ways inverted" position. Thanks, Christie. I'm sure those folks and their families are comforted by your revisionist word mangling.

In the meantime, all the rides continued on full speed, and people demanding refunds were argued to the point of storming out in frustration.

"You could hear cables snapping. It was very ... interesting," said Jamie Covery, a frightened bystander.

The quality of the Boomerang was defended by the Marine World staff. The makers of the ride are Dutch.

I rest my case.

Scared safe

Recently, Joshua Smurphat, who died August 22, had no idea what was happening when he slipped out of his restraints on Great America's Drop Zone. Some

speculate on whether the developmentally disabled boy should even have been allowed on the ride. Did he even understand the concept of manufactured terror?

Great America closed seven other rides, out of either overcompensation or a sense of tribute, I'm unsure.

Also in California, Water World's June 1997 accident left

one 18-year-old girl dead. Quimby Nelson

was only one of several fatalities in our great state, where no permanent state inspections have ever been implemented. Is the actual

Lost World ride destined to ironic fame? The immense T Rex head only has to chomp one foot too close.

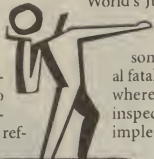
July 14: The Orient Express roller coaster in Kansas City rips off its rails, injuring dozens.

August 11: Atlantic City's Steel Pier: a woman was thrown from a ride called Wipeout.

Coney Island: One fatality in July. Last week in New Jersey there were two, one of them a child, on another ride.

An estimated 9,200 people were treated in emergency rooms last year for injuries linked to carnival rides and theme park attractions, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

In California, a new bill calls for change. Democratic Assemblyman Tom Torlakson of Antioch says that, "We have one of the worst accident records in the country. We're in the dark ages by comparison."



Sports Complex



No doubt jousting matches at the Renaissance Faire may come under some scrutiny, since they actually are in the dark ages, thematically.

But it isn't just at rickety fairs full of shenanigans that awful events out of *The Fury* are taking place. Disneyland's Pirate's Cove left one man dead in September 1998. At another park, a man was struck dead while retrieving a wind-blown hat in a danger zone precariously close to a ride. Granted that was his fault, but still, they could have raised the fence to idiot-proof levels.

What is it about contained adrenaline rushes that drives us to these *Logan's Run* proportions, that amusement parks must be the sites of human sacrifice, an Iphigenioid on wheels?

The basic fear, like riding Muni, is that you are putting your life in the hands of a machine made in a foreign country and operated by folks with apparently no inclination to prevent the occasional fatality. So in effect, your cotton candy day at the park is a crap shoot.

Gay Day at Water World, promoted by circuit party celebrities, will be held this Labor Day weekend, according to the more club-oriented publications that regularly avoid news in favor of the goings-on of speed peddlers and their accompanying DJs.

The idea that we have to have our own separatist amusement

park days accurately implies that we're not welcome the other 364 days of the year, except as attendants, hotdog vendors or big-headed animal mascots. They are, after all, family parks.

I don't imagine being strung out on E, K, X (or any other letter drugs those innovative club kids come up with) will help a person's facility for saving themselves when the Corkscrew doesn't quite screw, leaving them shrieking with fear, praying no one catches their last embarrassing moments on video. And if it's a group of gay people, well, I'm sorry, but it's instant camp for the hets.

I actually rode on that water slide one day many years ago, and although I did survive it, and enjoyed it several times, it was only the fun of being in the company of a herd of gay gals and guys that made it a bit less terrorizing. I also rode sober, knowing that the combination of shoddy architecture, suspicious stimulants and questionable swimwear is a Must Don't.

No doubt many of this year's participants will disagree, and pop whatever their Pez pals will offer, thereby enhancing the desired blood-curdling, hair-raising terror that such entertainments so doggedly attempt to reconstruct, the terror that we as humans have spent hundreds of thousands of years evolving into to avoid such terror, like being stalked by mountain lions or chased by spear-tossing angry tribes or knocked off the edge of a glacier, but now paying \$24.50 to do it all over again in the comfort of a padded seat that may or may not work.

All I can say is, have fun. For more fun, attend the Golden Gate Wrestling Labor Day Invitational Tournament (please see the ad below). Even with workshops in Judo, Jiu Jitsu, Tae Kwan Do, and freestyle wrestling, the chances of getting out unharmed are a lot better than strapping on to the Viper at Six Flags. ▼

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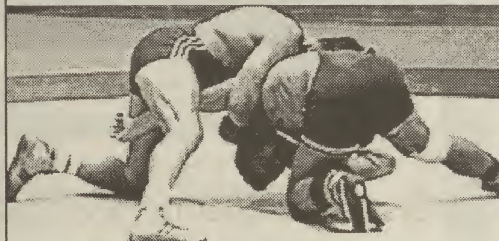
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Researchers report increased unsafe sex

by Liz Highleyman

Last week researchers from the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) reported results indicating that rates of unprotected anal sex appear to be "increasing dramatically" among young gay men. The study was conducted by Dr. Maria Ekstrand and colleagues of UCSF's Center for AIDS Prevention Studies; the results were published in the August 20 issue of *AIDS*. According to Ekstrand, "Occasional high-risk sex has now become pervasive among gay men in San Francisco ... It is apparent that many gay men find it difficult to maintain safe sex practices over the long haul."

The study included 510 gay men between the ages of 18 and 29; the men were participants in the San Francisco Young Men's Health Study. Participants completed a self-administered questionnaire and were tested for HIV antibodies.

The results show that the rate of unprotected anal intercourse increased by approximately 30 percent between 1993 and 1997. Over one-third of the participants reported unprotected anal sex at the beginning of the study, compared to one-half in its final year. Sixty-eight percent said they had had unprotected anal intercourse during at least one of the four years of

the study. Additionally, approximately half the men practicing unprotected anal sex had partners whose HIV serostatus was unknown or different from their own. According to Ekstrand, men in the "high-risk" group — those who practiced unprotected sex and who had partners of unknown or dissimilar serostatus — had a greater number of sex partners, had sex more often, and were more likely to be HIV-positive. Thirty-two percent of the men reported that they had disclosed their serostatus to all the partners with whom they engaged in anal sex.

Ekstrand said, "People who are sexually adventurous are pushing the envelope. ... They're engaging in high-risk behavior and aren't talking about their HIV status with their partners." Among the reasons cited for unprotected sex by the men in the high-risk group were unavailability of condoms, sexual arousal, and alcohol or drug use.

Despite the reported increases in unprotected sex, rates of new HIV infections have not increased among young gay men in San Francisco, remaining stable at about 2 percent per year. According to UCSF, several U.S. cities, including San Francisco, have recently reported increased rates of rectal gonorrhea, which is believed to be transmitted by the same sexual activities as HIV. However, this assertion is ques-

tioned by Michael Petrelis, who claims that the July 1999 monthly report from the San Francisco Department of Public Health's STD control branch shows similar rates of rectal gonorrhea in 1998 and 1999 (14 cases this past July and 93 cases so far this year, compared to 15 cases in July 1998 and 93 cases for the equivalent portion of last year). Petrelis has asked UCSF to release more information to the public to explain the apparent discrepancy, and has called on UCSF and the DPH to hold meetings with the gay community.

In related news, on August 30 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported rates of unprotected sex and HIV infection among young gay men in several U.S. cities. The results were from a survey of gay men between the ages of 15 and 22 conducted in Baltimore, Dallas, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, and San Francisco. According to the study, 7 percent of the young men were HIV-positive overall, and 3 percent contracted HIV per year, a rate slightly higher than that for San Francisco alone. Forty-one percent in the national survey reported unprotected sex in the past six months, a rate somewhat lower than that reported for the final year of Ekstrand's study. The researchers said that HIV prevalence rates were highest nationwide among young African American and mixed race gay men. ▼

No on Knight

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tive campaign, to include phone banking, e-mail, tabling, door-to-door canvassing, and three to four weeks of statewide TV ads.

The campaign's polls have sought to identify the "persuadable voters," people who may be in favor of equal rights for gay people, but who may be on the fence when it comes to official recognition of gay

relationships. According to the campaign's internal polls, these include: Republican women, Democratic men under 50, Latinos, and African Americans. These groups will be targeted by the No on Knight campaign.

According to Marshall, 85 percent of Californians know someone who is gay or lesbian. "We need to provoke a sense that for their colleague or sibling who is gay or lesbian, their vote will have an impact on that person," he said. ▼

An organizing meeting of Californians for Fairness is scheduled for Tuesday, September 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Dolores Plaza Condominiums at 1839 15th Street between Guerrero and Dolores. For more information, or to volunteer in the office of Californians for Fairness, call (415) 227-1020 or go to www.NoOnKnight.org.

Reilly, Toklas

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Club is trying to smear him by association."

But Ammiano said he would never support an initiative handled by the same law firm that represents the Knight initiative.

"The firm did one job for the Sunshine initiative, and now their association is over," Ammiano told the B.A.R.

And, upon further investigation, the B.A.R. learned that the Sunshine initiative's Comstock — who insisted that "everybody uses" Bagatelos & Fadem — is actually a contracted employee of Reilly's.

Sunshine initiative Chair Ross Mirkarimi said that San Franciscans for Sunshine never would have hired Bagatelos & Fadem if the group knew about the firm's association with the Knight initiative.

"Had I known, I never would have hired them for that job," Mirkarimi told the B.A.R. "This is a lesson that will teach us to be more discerning shoppers."

Lee said the fact that Reilly has retained Bagatelos & Fadem is the significant factor.

"Reilly has made a decision to keep using them," said Lee. "And it's not like Reilly and Knight just happen to share the same lawyers. This is a law firm that is paid to get things on the ballot." ▼

Past Out

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Draft!" joined a protest in Washington that ended in a "nude-in" in the reflecting pool in front of the Washington Monument.

In April 1971, a second and larger Moratorium Against the War was held in the capital, with an estimated 10,000 gay people taking part. Later that year, 15,000 gay protesters swelled the ranks of anti-war demonstrators in a similar march in San Francisco. GLF members carried signs saying:

"Soldiers: Make Each Other, Not War" and "Bring the Beautiful Boys Home." The leftist chant, "Ho Ho Ho Chi Minh/Dare to struggle, dare to win" was transformed by gay participants into "Ho Ho Homosexual/The status quo is ineffectual."

But GLF self-destructed from a lack of leadership and organization, and many in the gay movement realized that most leftist groups didn't include gay liberation among their concerns. Anti-war protest and support for gay soldiers fighting in Vietnam became low priority for gay groups, since at home gay people

were being harassed, arrested, and denied their rights. The Gay Activists Alliance (GAA), which dominated the movement after 1970, focused on issues of more immediate concern to gay people in the states, such as legal and electoral politics. ▼

Gay Essentials, a collection of David Bianco's Past Out history columns, is forthcoming from Alyson Publications this October. He can be reached at DaveBianco@aol.com. For more Past Out, visit www.planetout.com.

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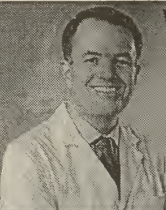


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STATEMENT FILE NO. 233707

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This business is conducted by an individ-
ual, signed Christopher J. McCullough. The
registrant(s) commenced to transact busi-
ness under the above listed fictitious busi-
ness name or names on 8/4/99. The state-
ment was filed with the County Clerk of
the City and County of San Francisco, CA
on 08/04/99.

AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN
FRANCISCO: FILE NO: 305499

In the Matter of the Application of David
Edward Firth For Change of Name. The
application of David Edward Firth for
change of name, having been filed in
court, and it appearing from said applica-
tion that David Edward Firth has filed an
application proposing that his name be
changed to Sara Jane Firth. Now there-
fore, it is hereby ordered and directed,
that all persons interested in said matter
do appear before this Court in department
X-4/206 on the 16th day of September
1999, at 9:00am., of said day to show
cause why the application for change of
name should not be granted.

AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
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FRANCISCO: FILE NO: 305498

In the Matter of the Application of Robert
Livingston For Change of Name. The
application of Robert Livingston for change
of name, having been filed in court, and it
appearing from said application that
Robert Livingston has filed an application
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Robert Livingston. Now therefore, it is
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sons interested in said matter do appear
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the application for change of name should
not be granted.

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STATEMENT FILE NO. 233946

The following person(s) are doing business
as, Bank Of Commerce, 185 Berry Street
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business is conducted by National banking
association. The registrant(s) commenced
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fictitious business name or names on
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AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

STATEMENT FILE NO. 234030

The following person(s) are doing business
as, Mensa Bee, 209 Hazelwood Avenue,
San Francisco, CA. 94127. This business
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names on 6/23/86. The statement was
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AUGUST 26, SEPT. 2, 9, 16 1999

STATEMENT FILE NO. 234104

The following person(s) are doing business
as, Akshaya, 1855 Missions Street, #265,
San Francisco, CA. 94103-3501. This
business is conducted by an individual,
signed Mohan Roy Nair. The registrant(s)
commenced to transact business under the
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AUGUST 26, SEPT. 2, 9, 16 1999

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
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NESS NAME: 232166

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cisco on: 6/4/99. This business was con-
ducted by: a individual signed Mohan Roy
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AUGUST 26, SEPT. 2, 9, 16 1999

STATEMENT FILE NO. 234215

The following person(s) are doing business
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Fall forward

Gearing up for the new season in the arts

We're so glad the arts season has cranked back up again. Now it seems everyone in town has a new line-up to pitch and a season promising miracles, and just like a little kid in a candy shop, we don't know where to turn first! (Is that metaphor mixed enough? Just wait!) Lucky for us, some of our critics have penned preview pieces to let us know what to look out for this Fall, in the film, theatre, opera, symphony, dance, television, and book worlds. We always want to know what the specials are, before we order off the menu.

It seems there's plenty of tempting dishes ahead. How's this for appetizers — a new Canadian drama based on a true story about a gay-killing, and a new film about a Greek slacker caught up in a sleazy street sex scene. And then may we suggest light French opera done *in the French style*? How about Michael Tilson Thomas, back for his fifth season helming the San Francisco Symphony? Don't forget to sample some dance for dessert, and then have some port and — gawd help us — television. ▼

Left: Amy Tung and Lorri Holt and Hillary and Soon-Yi Shop For Ties
Far right: John Hollander and Julie Graham in *Bedrooms and Hallways*



Above: Steve Zahn in a scene from Mark Illsley's *Happy, Texas*.

Right: Clockwise from top, Rajiv Shah, Billy Allen, Lino Antonio, and James Marks in the New Conservatory Theatre Center's *Steel Kiss*.

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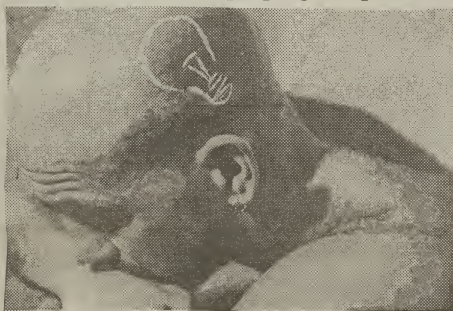
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by the Redoubtable
Roberto Friedman

The series of photographs of public bathrooms throughout the city by the Notorious **Jim James**, in a show which opens Monday at Mad Magda's Russian Tea Room, has one of those perfect titles, *Piss Elegant*. Accompanied by the Ever-Charming **Troy Gaspard**, we sat down to dinner with James at the piss-elegant eatery Delfina in the Mission. Between forking down rare tuna and gulping cold white wine ("We're havin' a heat wave"), we begged him to tell us about this obsessive desire of his to take pics of public loos.

Turns out the lav photos were a natural outgrowth of his nightlife scene photography. "It stared out as a way to finish the roll of film," James said. "Then I found, when I was showing around pictures, that people really responded to the toilets."

We guess that if you're setting out to chronicle clubland, the rest rooms are important stops on the itinerary. Everyone hits the john at some point or another during a night out, if not always for its intended purpose. James' series of porcelain halos — some hellish, some inviting — is an intriguing departure for the veteran SF scene photog. Better known for his intimate portraits of male pulchritude and candid studies of erotic dancers and go-go boys, James' camera eye has always been interested in basic plumbing, but in the past it's always been plumbing of the human variety.

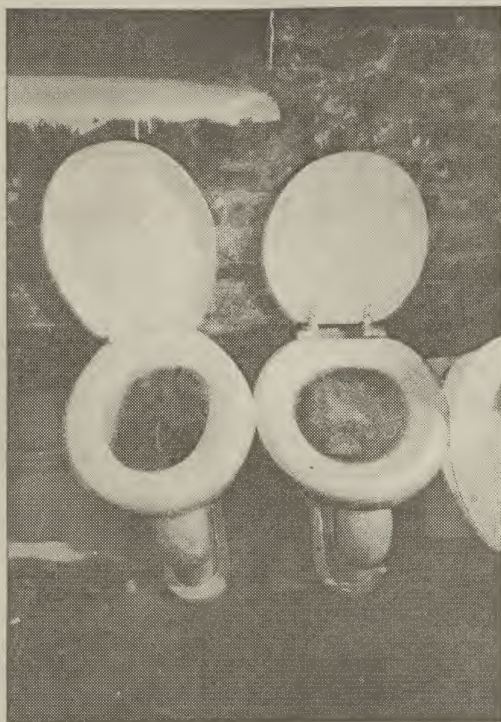
The photos in *Piss Elegant* are interesting the way any series is compelling: you notice the variations, but you also see the essential sameness of the fixtures. The more graphic shots of excretory landscapes are not in the show, which is, after all, hanging in a café. But you get the idea. Artist's reception Monday, Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m.; *Piss Elegant* shows at Mad Magda's, 579 Hayes, through the month.

Making noise

The crowd at the opening of the *Sounds Like Art* show last weekend at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts had a thirsty ear. That's good, since there was plenty of sound-based art around. MacArthur Fellow (the "genius" award) artist **Trimpin's** room-sized installation *Conloninpurple* is a tribute to visionary composer for player piano **Conlon Nancarrow**; hanging purple horns in perpetual motion ring out with electroacoustic pulses. It's beautiful to see as well as hear; the artist himself was moved to samba before the end of the evening.

Former Survival Research Laboratories artist/provocateur **Matt Heckert** scores with the large gallery full of his robotic *Birds*, booming their percussive song in a glorious din. Of course, **Richard Wagner's** orchestras were using much the same device a century ago; it's called the thundersheet. But Heckert has created something beautiful and cacophonous.

We enjoyed catching part of the doc about seminal punk band *Half Japanese: The Band Who Would Be King* in the Screening Room, and relived memories of hearing **Jad and David Fair** perform live in Baltimore. We listened to a portion of the set from *Pusaka Sunda*, a gamelan group, in the Forum. We sipped barely drinkable wine and cavorted with the *Usual Suspects*. But the

From *Piss Elegant* at Mad Magda's Russian Tea Room.

most fun we had was watching the opening night creatures play away on the invented and artist-made instruments curated by **Wattis**

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Custer, those that were available for music-making. It was sort of like being in the daycare pit with a mess of Fischer-Price toys and many energetic toddlers.

Bess actress

Word down the grapevine is that **Gods and Monsters**

director **Bill Condon's** next project has the working title *Queen Bess* — **The Bess Myerson Story**. Though the film is still in preproduction, already battled around as possibilities for the title role are glamorous movie stars **Glenn Close**, **Meryl Streep** and **An-**

sarily have distributors. We can show them on an experimental basis, and gauge the audience reaction." Oh, so then we're art-film guinea pigs, are we?

The Lumiere's owner, Landmark Theatres, the self-described "nation's only art film chain" ("Yes, I'd like a **Fellini** Frappuccino with soy milk latte, to go"), "despite being national," is a valuable resource here in the Gay Area for showing the stuff Middle America is definitely not getting out in the megaplexes. There are plenty of features on the Lumiere calendar we're planning to cover this fall, including *Get Bruce*, *Bedrooms and Hallways*, *Hard and Beefcake*. But why do we have this feeling we're being ghettoized, just because "our kinda stuff" winds up for 1-week runs at the art-film franchise in the heart of the Polk Street ghetto?

It's so cozy here in this "trial niche!" As part of the perks of the biz, the Lumiere gets those yummy brand-new 35mm prints from restored negatives of the (director)



Glenn Close



Alfred Hitchcock

nette Bening. But wait a minute: We know Bening is a born brunette, and that makes sense, but as for Streep and Close, wasn't Myerson definitely not a blonde? We're sure some queen somewhere has an opinion about this.

Nichysoise

Last week during a fall preview in his Polkstrasse cinema for professional opinion-makers, Lumiere manager **E.J. Hamacher** admitted he had "finally decided what we were doing here at the Lumiere calendar. We can bring smaller films that are searching for their market that don't neces-

Alfred Hitchcock/(producer) **David O. Selznick** films *Rebecca* (in which, says film writer **David Thomson**, "**Joan Fontaine** is one of the great nervous wrecks in film history") and *Spellbound* (go with your shrink!). They're both well worth an amble down Polkstrasse. We're also waiting for *Hitchcock and Selznick*, a 90-minute documentary airing on PBS this fall. They hated each other, we hear, which is probably why they worked so well together. ▼

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The shows must go on

Lots of choices in upcoming theatre season

by Richard Dodds

A gay king, a beauty queen, and Hillary Clinton will provide some of the fireworks of the new theater season, a time of possibilities unfettered by eventual realities. To a theatrical optimist, almost all descriptions of upcoming productions are enticing until proven otherwise. Still, choices must be made, and what follows is a sampling of what looks especially promising, appealing, or intriguing.

From the headlines

Robin Fulford's *Steel Kiss* (Sept. 8-Oct. 30 at New Conservatory Theatre Center) was written before the recent spate of fatal gay bashings, and has become particularly relevant because of them.

Ravenhill, "The title gives fair warning about the play's contents."

Shopping for a new "kaleidoscopic female icon cabaret?" Look no further than the world premiere of *Hillary and Soon-Yi Shop for Ties* (Oct. 29-Nov. 21 at the Magic Theatre). Lorri Holt and Amy Tung play not only Mrs. Clinton and Mrs. Allen in Michelle Carter's millennial vaudeville, but also essay Marilyn Monroe, Persephone, and the Virgin Mary.

Gay histories

Former Pomo Afro Homo Brian Freeman returns with a revised version of *Civil Sex* (Jan. 14-Feb. 11 at Berkeley Rep), his play about Bayard Rustin, the openly gay lieutenant to Martin Luther King Jr. during the birth of the modern civil rights movement.

Famed English poet and clas-

21), a pixilated comedy about a pretentious poet, a lightweight playwright, and the agonies and ecstasies of overnight success.

One of Broadway's recent surprise successes makes its way to the Bay Area. Irish playwright Martin McDonagh's *The Beauty Queen of Leenane* (Nov. 12-Jan. 7 at Berkeley Rep) details the rancorous relationship between a lovelorn woman and her demanding mother in a tale that turns the tables on the audience.

The aisle of Lesbos

Holly Hughes, one of the performance artists who drives Jesse Helms crazy, presents the world premiere of *Preaching to the Perverted* (Sept. 10-25 at New Conservatory). In this outing, Hughes takes on decency, family values, lesbian chic, and child pornography.

The Magic Theatre leaves the straight and narrow for its first *Festival of Lesbian Playwrights* (Jan. 12-23). A workshop production of a new play by Claire Chafee and staged readings of plays by three other lesbian writers will make up the festival.

Marga Gomez, the Bay Area's favorite lesbian comic, returns with *Jaywalking* (Nov. 11-Dec. 11 at Theatre Rhino), a first-person tale of life in El Lay.

F. Allen Sawyer, who had his way with gay pulp fiction in *Hot Pants Homo* and *Senator Swish*, will combine the Hollywood star

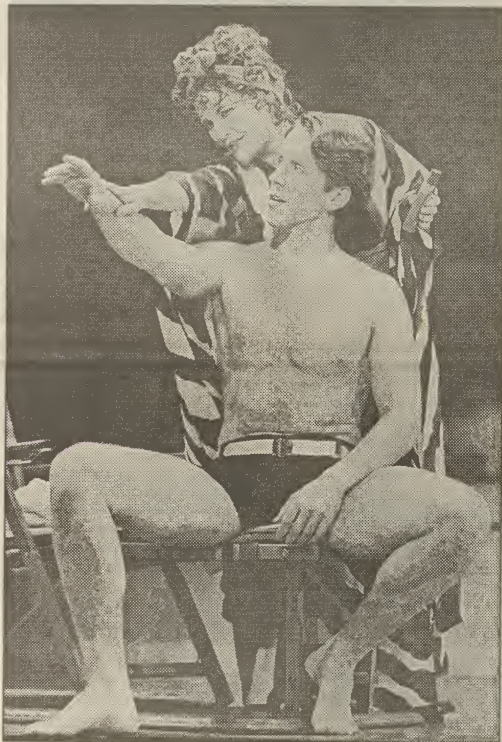
power of the '40s and '50s and the lesbian angst films of the '60s and '70s for a lesbian camp comedy of the '00s in *Whatever Happened to Sister George?* (May 18-June 17 at Theatre Rhino).

Tennessee and Albee

Following the success of the "undiscovered" *Not About Nightingales*, another early Tennessee Williams finally finds its way to the stage. Marin Theatre Company is offering the first licensed production of *Spring Storm* (Nov. 11-Dec. 12), a 1937 playset in the aristocratic Deep South.

Edward Albee and his litigious aversion to all-male productions of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* provide the inspiration for *Who's Afraid of Edward Albee?* (Dec. 1-Jan. 22 at New Conservatory). Michael Kearns' comedy-drama looks at a quartet of male actors who take on the characteristics of

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Petula Clark and Lewis Cleale in the musical *Sunset Boulevard*

For the NCTC run, the Canadian playwright has combined the original *Steel Kiss*, based on the true story of a gay teacher murdered by four teens, and its sequel, *Gulag*, which examines the subsequent lives of the perpetrators. "Not for the squeamish," reviewers in Toronto warned.

Playwright-director John Fisher, whose shows have ranged from *Medea, the Musical* to *Titus!*, is splashing into the sex storm without his rubbers on. *Barebacking, a Sex Panic! Comedy* (Jan. 20-Feb. 19 at Theatre Rhinoceros) takes a look at the unsafe sex controversy with — if Fisher's past shows are any guide — outlandish originality.

Shop 'til you drop

Its title creates smiles as well as consternation, but *Shopping and Fucking* — or *Shopping and F***ing* (Sept. 16-Oct. 16), as Theatre Rhino is billing it — is a gritty look at sex, drugs, and commerce among gay and straight working-class youth in England. According to playwright Mark

sicist A.E. Housman and his unrequited love for a fellow Oxford classmate are the subjects of Tom Stoppard's *Invention of Love* (Jan. 6-Feb. 6 at American Conservatory Theater). This is the American premiere of the 1997 London success by the erudite author of *Arcadia*, *Indian Ink* and *The Real Thing*.

Director Danny Scheie has made something of a career of outing Shakespeare, and his helazapoppin' take on *The Comedy of Errors* at Shakespeare Santa Cruz is considered a classic. Now he is creating a vest-pocket version for the tiny Aurora Theater (Feb. 11-March 19).

In the 14th century, England had a king who was also a queen. Christopher Marlowe's *Edward II* (May 4-June 4 at ACT) tells the tragic tale of the monarch who lost it all for the love of another man.

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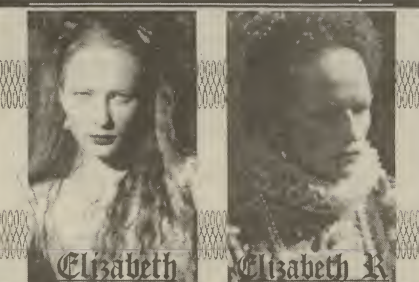
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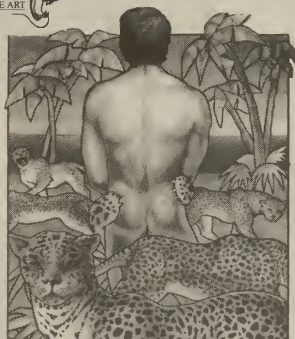


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Coming soon to a cinema near you

Plenty of queer films in the pipeline

by Gary Morris

The next few months should see a wealth of homo and homo-inflected features hitting rep houses across the land. Some of these films will be familiar to diligent queer cinephiles who saw them at recent film festivals; others are unknown quantities that at least sound tantalizing. If this mini-tsunami doesn't turn out a steady stream of classics, at least the sheer number of entries should be heartening.

A few gay features are already happily occupying movie screens at this writing, among them Jim Fall's *trick*, which made an impression at this year's SF International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival due to its two sexy leading boys (one hesitates to call them men) and a stellar performance by Tori Spelling as a particularly beleaguered fag hag.

Patrice Chereau's *Those Who Love Me Can Take the Train* sounds promising. It stars Jean-Louis Trintignant as a dead bisexual painter mourned and recalled by a variety of lovers of both sexes. Fans of the director's earlier *Queen Margot*, which was notorious in select circles for its male nudity, may enjoy this Cesar winner.

The Merchant-Ivory team has been viewed alternately as thoughtful interpreters of historical homosex and bloodless, *Masterpiece Theatre*-style cop-outs. Gary Sinyor's *Stiff Upper Lips*, due this fall, may satisfy both camps with its tale of a mock-tormented upper-class twit's affair with a working-class hunk in turn-of-the-century Britain. Any film described as a marriage of the Zucker brothers and Merchant-Ivory bears a look.

Rose Troche's *Bedrooms and Hallways* was greeted with scorn by some who saw it at the last queer film fest, but this story of a queer boy's liaison with an alleged straight guy deserves attention, if only to see where Troche, who directed the New Queer Cinema classic *Go Fish*, wants to take us. Opens here in late September.

Shameless

Another September entry is Andy Kuehn's *Get Bruce*, billed as "a look at the man [Bruce Vilanch] behind the jokes" of Whoopi, Bette, Billy (Crystal), Robin, et al. Early reviews declare this a disastrous exercise in nar-

Rebecca Liljeberg in *Show Me Love*

cissism, but camp followers may get a kick out of watching clueless egomaniacal stars and their writer exchanging shameless praise, along with apparently fabricated sequences showing their interplay.

October ups or downs the camp ante, depending on your viewpoint, with Mark Illsley's *Happy, Texas*. This film, about two escaped prisoners pretending to be gay, sounds like a throwback to a particularly irritating genre, but the film played to appreciative audiences at Sundance, and the buzz on the Internet — not exactly a reliable barometer of anything — is positive. Comments like, "I nearly bust a gut," and, "Very little swearing, violence or sex" contain their own caveat.

Thom Fitzgerald made a splash last year with *The Hanging Garden*. He returns to the screen with *Beefcake*, which was, inexplicably, jealously guarded by the distributor when it played at this year's SFILGFF. Early reviews suggest the reason for the hesitancy may be problems with the director's mix of fact and fiction in rendering the story of Bob Mizer, pioneering interpreter of half-naked bodybuilders and *Physique Pictorial* magazine. Nonetheless, the film's alleged nonstop stream of nude and half-nude men will surely compensate for any artistic lapses. Opens October 15.

Also slated for October is Lukas Moodysson's fabulous teen lesbian dramedy *Show Me Love*. Originally titled *Fucking Amal*, this film redeems the voyeuristic sleaze of Larry Clark's *Kids* in its pithy, funny, and oh-so-natural

portrayal of Swedish slacker youth and what happens when two of their number become unrepentant dykes.

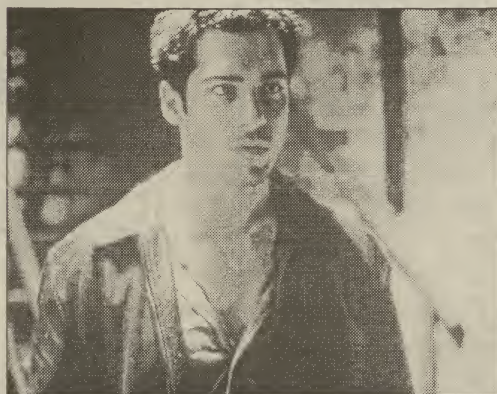
Scheduled for early November is a debatable resurrection, Tinto Brass' *Caligula*, which manages to make one of the more fascinating historical characters dull. Fans of Roman history may get a few laughs from this torpid, idiotic Bob Guccione production, and when all else fails, there are at least some blatant cocksucking sequences to while away the film's seemingly endless running time.

On a grittier note is Ana Kokkinos' *Head On*, also slated for November, which turned many a head at the last SFILGFF. Hunky Greek slacker boy Ari is tormented by what some would view as a paradisiacal lifestyle — swilling drugs, chatting with drag queens, and having loads of sleazy street sex with strangers. His angelic good looks add to the downbeat fun.

Hilary Brougher's *The Sticky Fingers of Time*, promised for this season, is one of those head movies that at least challenge the viewer, even if they don't satisfy. This one is a confusing mix of time travel, two female writers, and lots of dream sequences.

Director Andrew Bergman literally slung the dish in his earlier *Soapdish*, but was also responsible for the execrable Demi Moore teasefest *Striptease*. He weighs in with the comedy *Isn't She Great*, which should be of interest, if only for its hypercamp cast: Bette Midler, Nathan Lane, and David Hyde Pierce.

Other coming films of interest to image-hungry queer audiences include Danny Boyle's *The Beach*, with "is he or isn't he?" megastar Leonardo di Caprio and Tilda Swinton; yet another cinema retread of a '70s TV show, *Charlie's Angels*; a fictionalized version of *The Brandon Teena Story* called *Boys Don't Cry*; tranny melodrama *All About My Mother*, which won Pedro Almodovar a Best Director award at Cannes; and John Schlesinger's *The Next Best Thing*, billed as "the fag hag movie to end all fag hag movies." The stars? Madonna and Rupert Everett. 'Nuff said! ▼

A scene from Ana Kokkinos' *Head On*

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The other international film festival

3rd Annual MadCat Film & Video Festival

by Erin Blackwell

Just because the screen's hung between a lemon and a fig tree doesn't mean the images projected will be anything but lush. Ariella Ben-Dov, director and curator of MadCat Women's International Film Festival, assures me the El Rio Outdoor Cinema, where MadCat plays every Tuesday this month, has a great projector and four high walls.

Ben-Dov, 27, is the kind of woman who takes her resolution seriously. An associate producer for Women's Educational Media,

Debra Chasnoff's bunch, she just went from full-time to freelance in order to devote herself to MadCat. Although she's "supported by an all-volunteer staff," she fondly remembers her first two seasons at the Roxie, where her tasks included splicing films in the projection booth during screenings.

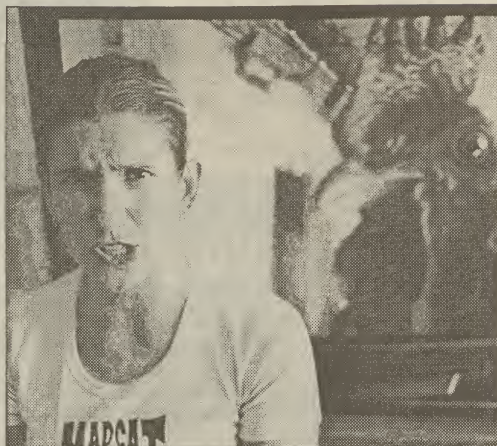
The upstart festival director is driven by two demons, and she's not sure which is worse: that women directors' work is systematically overlooked, or that most people equate experimental film with bad sound and lighting. Rather than wait for an answer, she has decided to redress both

follies with a single festival.

"The only parameter is that the director be a woman," says Ben-Dov, who has kindly bike-messengered the press tapes herself. "Issues run the gamut. These films are not about [so-called] women's issues or overcoming adversity. The festival lets you see what makers are doing around the world, without the backing of a studio."

In her quest to get more people to give experimental film a chance, the wily programmer has grouped the shorts thematically, nesting the more challenging films in among the more benign. Opening night, September 7, "Lost in Translation" addresses gaps in history, memory, and communication. Austrian Elke Groen's *Tito Material*, a montage of scratchy footage of the erstwhile dictator found amidst some Yugoslavian rubble, should test the audience's mettle. Easier to assimilate will be *Dover Street* by SF's own Imelda Picherit.

"Interior Worlds," September 14, "unpacks the inner workings of the alienated and the evolution of the young and naive," according to the press release. Works by Barbara Albert, Marcella Moran, Jennifer Reeves, Charlene Shih and Kimi Takesue are featured. "Dark Mirrors" September 21, takes on sex, death and love through the genres of horror, sci-fi and gothic fairy tales. Star directors Sally "Orlando" Potter and Abigail Child should pull in the crowds.



MadCat director Ariella Ben-Dov in front of *Leche* by Naomi Uman

The festival wraps on September 28 with the underground cult mistresspiece *Born in Flames* (1983) by Lizzie Borden, a fabulous film stimulating and satisfying in both form and content. Shot on video and transferred to 16 mm, this radical feminist manifesto-cum-wet dream captures the revolutionary buzz of the videocamera just then becoming widely accessible. Recent events at KPFA add the filip of topicality to the fantasy of a TV station's takeover by black and white leftist punk intellectual lesbians and single mothers. Not to be missed.

Ben-Dov hopes this line-up of films will shake up the academic

types adept at "reading" movies, as well as the montage-wary. "I want to encourage audience members to take an active role in watching film," she says. "I want them on the edge of their seats, grappling with the images set before them — not melting into their chairs." ▼

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Keijichi Kondoh in Kimi Takesue's *Rosewater*

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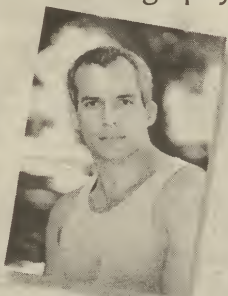
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'Yellow Submarine' rides again

Periscope up at the Castro Theatre

by Chris Culwell

When the *New York Times* reviewed the Beatles' pop animation film *Yellow Submarine* upon its release 31 years ago, the paper of record noted only that the George Dunning-directed flick contained "some lovely visual ideas."

That was perhaps the biggest critical understatement of 1968. This 90-minute cartoon feature is awash in so much extravagant imagery it could easily serve as an archive of the graphic styles of the 1960s and then some. Surrealism, Pop and Op art, Dada, Art Nouveau, Xerox Art, it's all here, bubbling alongside a rich impasto of visual styles reflecting such art world movers and shakers as Robert Rauschenberg, Peter Max, Robert Indiana, Andy Warhol and a host of others. Though the film was made primarily to show off the Beatles' music-making—it boasts a dozen of the band's songs—the Fab Four is nearly upstaged by art designer Heinz Edelmann, whose work here is among the best in the annals of animation (surprisingly, the German designer never made another animated film).

The *Times* will have an opportunity to revisit its assessment now that MGM has restored the film to its pristine condition. The overhaul includes, among other things, a new stereomix soundtrack that replaces a song segment cut from the US version.

Psychedelic landscapes dotted with human profiles, heads that explode with flowers, landscapes that morph into multi-winged creatures, floating teeth, gigantic "boot beasts" that stomp out foes, and a monster that vomits whole cities, *Yellow Submarine* puts to shame the animated films of today, which by and large are short on ideas and long on banal, pulverizing effects. Any visual trick can be achieved today with

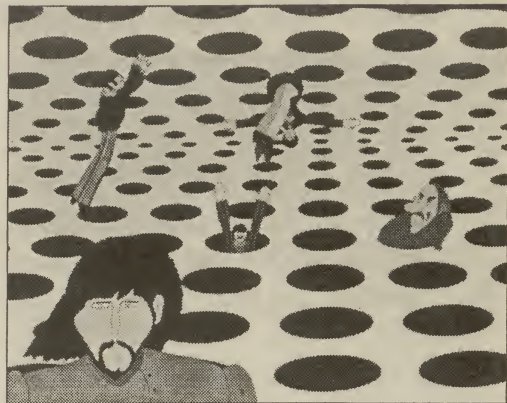
the aid of a computer, it's true, but films like *A Bug's Life* and *Antz*, and any number of other Disney-inspired flicks, seem played out after five minutes. *Yellow Submarine* is a relentless profusion of imagery and ideas, yet for all its aggressive styling, one never feels pummeled, as much as elated by the film's vitality.

The technical feats in this decades-old film look amazingly fresh, especially its polarized and back-lit lighting effects. But in other ways, *Yellow Submarine* is a conspicuous product of its time. The story is vintage '60s. When the happy, music-loving people of Pepperland suddenly find themselves under attack by a posse of

music-hating miscreants called Blue Meanies, the Fab Four foil their plans for world domination by overpowering them with love.

Smug '90s types may sneer at such a beguiling, if naive, conceit, but the remarkable thing about *Yellow Submarine* that comes through in every frame of the film, and certainly in each one of the Beatles' unforgettable songs, is the sense that everyone involved with this project wasn't just making a film, they were merrily trawling the zeitgeist. ▼

Yellow Submarine plays September 3-15 at the Castro Theatre.



A scene from *Yellow Submarine*

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Medea in high school

'Teaching Mrs. Tingle'

by Victoria A. Brownworth

Forget anything you've read about gay boy media maven

Kevin Williamson's new film *Teaching Mrs. Tingle*—it's a lot more fun than critics allow. Williamson, one of the only out fags in Hollywood, progenitor of *Scream* and *Dawson's Creek* and author of the only queer teen story-line on TV, debuts as a director here (he also wrote the saucy screenplay). Williamson imbues the film with a very queer edge: acerbic, vicious and mean-spirited in the manner of a pissed-off Oscar Wilde, or Quentin Crisp on any Wednesday.

Mrs. Eve Tingle (played with alacrity by the always stellar Helen Mirren) is the embodiment of everything one despised about high school. Viciously condescending to students and teachers

alike, Tingle adheres to the rule she gives one student: "Don't shoot unless you mean it." Venomous to a fault, she's out to get anyone and everyone with a Pasolini-style sadism; not surprisingly, everyone loathes Tingle, but no one knows how to bring her to her knees.

From her first scene, Mirren steals this film lock, stock and crossbow (a weapon that makes repeated appearances in—and out of—Tingle's world history class) with her nuanced performance, taking Tingle into the realm of classic villainesses Mirren played in her Shakespearean days. Think *Medea* teaching high school. Be afraid, be very afraid.

In the last week before graduation, final projects determine class ranking. Good girl Leigh Ann (played by *Dawson's Creek* tomboy Katie Holmes) must get an "A" from Tingle to become



Katie Holmes and Barry Watson in *Teaching Mrs. Tingle*

Bruce Birmelin

valedictorian, win the scholarship she needs to go to college, and escape the vicissitudes of small town life that have made her mother, Faye (in a nice uncredited

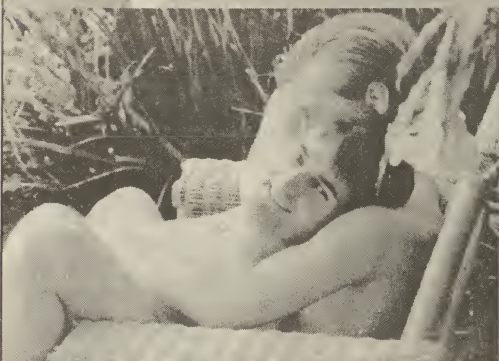
cameo by Lesley Ann Warren), the town's waitress and pathetic example of failure.

But things don't go so well.

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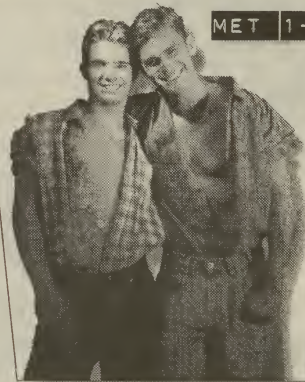
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SF Opera fall season on disc

by Stephanie von Buchau

En general, as that famous "French" soprano, Leontyne Price, used to say, I am in favor of practicality in the opera house. And heaven knows that no one was more practical than the late Kurt Herbert Adler, who forced the San Francisco Opera kicking and screaming into the 20th century. He ruthlessly cut *Die Frau ohne Schatten* and *Les Troyens* when he gave the American professional premieres of both works; Adler had no truck with pettifoggish musicological minutiae.

Still, grateful as one was to hear even half of *Les Troyens* in the '60s, that was then and this is now. We are all, audiences and performers, more educated and sophisticated. Yet there is still a "practical" (why do I want to call it "cavalier?") attitude towards

musicology on Van Ness Avenue. Nowhere has this been more disappointingly demonstrated than in SFO's approach to French opera. Maybe you didn't know that *Don Carlos* and *Les Vêpres Siciliennes* were French operas? Possibly not, because SFO insists on performing them in Italian translations, as if we were living in Milano.

One of the "practical" problems about presenting operas in French is that for over a century, Italian has been the *lingua franca* of opera. If singers have learned *Les Vêpres* in Italian (as *I Vespri Siciliani*), they balk at re-learning it in French just because some hip opera company wants to be authentic. (The composer has no say in this.) At least that is what singers tell me. SFO, under the late Terry McEwen and his music director, Sir John Pritchard, dared present the French *Don Carlos* in 1986. Famous singers such as Pilar

Lorengar and Neil Shicoff learned it in French. It was the single greatest Verdi experience I've ever had.

The real reason, I think, that nobody wants to take on French operas by other than French composers is that French is a difficult language for non-natives to sing. Though it actually makes everybody who sings it sound better, those French vowels give Italians and Germans stomach trouble, and only a few Americans manage to sound both comfortable and authentic.

Also, the classic French style is intimate and full of expressive rubato. Today's singers can seldom afford to be intimate. Since opera houses are bigger, orchestras are larger and conductors less sympathetic, singers often address their beloveds as if he or she were a town meeting. As for rubato, ask experienced conductors such as Richard Bonyng and Julius Rudel. They'll tell you that vocal training is so appalling everywhere that almost no singers of any nationality are secure enough that they can tease the rhythm (the definition of rubato) with confidence.

So that's why I'm previewing the coming San Francisco Opera season by alerting you to the French recordings, some of them historical. Don't take my word for it. Listen and be amazed at how different then was from now. Please also notice that some of the liberties these old singers take would not be allowed today. Not everything is going to Hell in a hand-basket.

Un Ballo in Maschera (Verdi) — The opening night opera has a French alter-ego, but it is by Daniel Auber (*Le bal masqué*), the most unlucky composer in operatic history; he also wrote a *Manon Lescaut*, eclipsed by Puccini's version. Verdi, to my knowledge, never prepared a French *Un Ballo*, but he did arrange *Il trovatore* for Paris in 1857. A 1998 live recording of *Le trouvère* (Dynamic; two discs) proves to be one of the more exciting *Trovatores* on disc. We get whiplash rhythmic drive from conductor Marco Guidarini and some knockout singing from Iano Tamar (Leonore), Sylvie Brunet (Azucena) and the virile Chinese



Manrique, Warren Mok, who not only nails the high notes but can sing softly and phrase like a lover, not just a testosterone-mad tenor. *Un Ballo* plays Sept. 11, 14, 19, 23, 25, 28, Oct. 1 & 6.

Louise (Charpentier) — For years, all Americans knew of this fragrant paean to *fin de siècle* Paris was Dorothy Kirsten's radiant recording of Louise's aria, "Depuis le jour." Kirsten is still tops in my book, and I've heard Beverly Sills sing the role, but nostalgists will tell you that Ninon Vallin was the ideal Louise. She sings on a 1935 recording made in Paris of the composer's own abridged gramophone version (Nimbus Prima Voce). It's a smashing idea, since an uncut *Louise* often seems longer than *Parsifal* and not as funny. But I have a problem with early century French sopranos. That tight vibrato was part of all singers' technique in those days, but French ladies added a coy, kittenish layer that I imagine was considered ideally "feminine." Today it is just cloying. The real star of this *Louise* is tenor Georges Thill, who has exactly the right heft for Julien, once described to me by a smart conductor as "a French Lohengrin," requiring a strong, high, lyrical-dramatic voice. *Louise* plays Sept. 13, 16, 18, 22, 26, 29, Oct. 2.

La Favorite (Donizetti) — Congratulations to SFO for finally doing this French opera in its original language and for casting it from strength. Sonia Ganassi's



Sonia Ganassi makes her debut

local debut should be a major event. Volume 2 of the "Pathé Opera Series" is a 1912 version of *Favorite* (Marston; two discs). Recording guru Ward Marston has fixed the pitch and joined the sides, but hasn't been able to get rid of all the noise. I've found that if you set the volume high and repair to another room, most of what you hear is pure vocalism. If the glam photo on the cover doesn't convince you that Ketty Lapeyrette is the bee's knees, her insinuating mezzo will scald your jeans; her kind of femininity never goes out of style. She's elegant and impassioned as a king's mistress unfortunately in love with a tenor. Baritone Henri Albers' macho King Alphonse is a worthy playmate, but tenor Robert Lassalle, while stylish, is no Alfredo Kraus. Still, this performance from the Comique orchestra, while occasionally something of a scramble, reminds us what a fabulous opera *Favorite* is, with juicy arias for the principals and two levitating ensembles. *La Favorite* plays Sept. 24, 30, Oct. 5, 10, 13, 16.

Lucia di Lammermoor (Donizetti) — I'm not sure why we need two Donizetti operas in a row, but don't think my French theme is fading yet. Surely you remember the scene in *Madame Bovary* where Emma goes to the opera (*Lucia di Lammermoor* just happens to be playing) and falls in love with the tenor, fantasizing about being his mistress? *Lucie*, of course, is the way they did all opera in the 19th century, in the language of the audience rather than of the composer. A couple of years ago a provincial French company recorded *Lucie*, but the performance is so bad that I wouldn't wish it on a deaf dog. The good news is that there are half a dozen fine recordings of *Lucia di Lammermoor* in its original Italian. My favorites are Callas/Karajan live in Berlin (EMI; two discs); Joan Sutherland's first *Lucy* with tenor Renata Cioni, recorded around the time she made her SFO debut in 1961 (Decca; two discs); and Richard Bonyng's high-flying version with the underrated Edita Gruberova (what a pity she never sang at SFO) and Neil Shicoff

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A flood of dance performances coming up this fall

by Aimée Ts'ao

After the summer drought, the fall deluge — of dance events, that is. I finally got caught up on my sleep the past few weeks, but starting this month, it will be musical theater seats again, as I try to catch as much dance as humanly possible. I don't know if there is a Guinness record, or if the Bay Area calendar even puts us in the running, though it looks like there should be plenty to keep us happy.

In an attempt to impose some order on these listings of upcoming dance, I have broken them into three categories, though some of the ballet companies are quite modern despite the use of pointe shoes, and one company is combining contemporary with two forms of ethnic dance. And our local choreographers are also setting pieces on companies besides their own. The lines between categories are getting more blurry every year, and to someone like me who avoids labeling in general, that's progress. Within each group the performances are in chronological order.

Ballet

Diablo Ballet, for those in the East Bay (but well worth crossing the bridge for), leads off with a free concert on Labor Day, September 6 at the Concord Pavilion Dance Festival, at the Concord Pavilion, 1 p.m., with a mixed bill including *E Medley*, choreographed by Nikolai Kabaniyev to Pete Escovedo's music of the same name. They open their fall season at the Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek, September 23-24, 7:30 p.m. with Balanchine's *Pas de Dix*, Kabaniyev's *The Puzzle*, and a world premiere by Gary Masters, artistic director of Limon Dance Company in San Jose. Back at the Concord Pavilion, again free of charge, Saturday, October 9 at 8 p.m. is a program that includes Kelly Teo's world premiere to music of Miles Davis, and to Piazzolla's *Grand Tango*, played live by Ray and Sharon Bogas on piano and cello, Sally Streets' *Three to Tango*. On November 5, 8 p.m. at Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley, there will be *The Best of Diablo Ballet*, which includes KT Nelson's *Walk Before Talk*. Diablo's last performances, November 26-27 at Dean Leshner in Walnut Creek, look to be very interesting, with premieres by Alonzo King of Lines Contemporary Ballet, KT Nelson of ODC/San Francisco, and Christopher Stowell of San Francisco Ballet.

The **Miami City Ballet**, directed by former New York City Ballet dancer Edward Villella, will present the entire evening-length ballet *Jewels* by Balanchine, Thursday-Saturday, September 23-25, at 8 p.m. at Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley. Following the Friday night performance there will be a dinner dance to benefit Cal Performances' arts and education program.

Oakland Ballet's fall season consists of three programs, all at the gorgeous art deco Paramount Theater in Oakland. The first, September 24-26, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m., features Alonzo King's *Hovering Slightly Above Ground*, Lew Christensen's *Jinx*, and Val Caniparoli's



The Miami City Ballet in the "Rubies" segment of Balanchine's *Jewels*.

Djangology. Program 2, October 22-24, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m., includes a revival of Bronislava Nijinska's *Les Biches* to the Poulenc score. Originally choreographed for Les Ballets Russes, this restoration, under the direction of Nijinska's daughter Irina, is but one of the many Diaghilev-era ballets that Oakland Ballet has preserved. Also on the same program is Betsy Erickson's *Beneath the Wake*, which I loved last season. Former artistic director Ronn Guidi will premiere *Rhenish Symphony*, to the Schumann music of the same title. Program 3, November 12-14, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m., will feature a premiere by King, Marc Wilde's *Bolero*, Eugene Loring's *The Tender Land* and selections from Guidi's *The Seasons*.

San Jose/Cleveland Ballet will bring Dennis Nahat's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, October 14-17.

Smuin Ballets/SF will present its fall season at Fort Mason's Cowell Theater, November 3-21.

The program includes a premiere of Smuin's *Les Noces* to the Stravinsky score, and *Chants d'Auvergne* and *Quattro a Verdi*.

And last, but far from being the least, the **Lawrence Pech Dance Company** at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater, November 18-21, Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m. Sunday at 2 p.m., will show *Five Firsts: A Season of World Premieres*. Pech will offer two new works: *Chaverin*, to music by Mendelssohn, and *Critters*, with music by Bay Area composer Cindy Cox. *Allegoria*, choreographed by Julia Adam of SF Ballet to the *White Man Sleeps* string quartet by Kevin Volans; *Frates* by Antonio Castillo, to Arvo Pärt's string quartet of the same name; and Robert Moses' new piece, to a score by Ennio Morricone, make up the rest of the program.

Modern, postmodern

Catch the second weekend of **Margaret Jenkins Dance Company's** *Breathe Normally*, September 2-4, Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m. and Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. For its 25th anniversary,

MJDC has come up with a multimedia, multigenerational blockbuster collaboration between Jenkins and Ellie Klopp (direction), Rinde Eckert (text), Jim Goldberg (photographic images), Jay Cloidt (music/sound design), Alexander Nichols (lighting design), Tom Bonauro (production design) and Olympia Dukakis (narration and creative consultation). In an exploration of the fragmentary nature of memory, two families' stories are woven together by a diverse cast of dancers and actors.

Cal Performances continues to present some of the world's very best dance this fall. All performances are at Zellerbach Hall at UC Berkeley.

Sasha Waltz & Guests, from Berlin, will make their Bay Area debut Friday and Saturday, October 1-2 at 8 p.m., presenting *Zweiland (Duoland)*, a piece about growing up in a divided country made whole again.

Pina Bausch Tanztheater Wuppertal returns after three years for a run, October 15-17, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Bausch, considered one of the prime creators of German neo-expressionist dance theater, will show *Nelken (Carnations)*.

The internationally acclaimed **Sankai Juku** performs Friday and Saturday, October 22-23 at 8 p.m. This Japanese Butoh troupe will perform *Hiyomeki (Within a Gentle Vibration and Agitation)*.

Back on the west side of the Bay in November, **Joe Goode** will be up to new tricks. **Words on Dance** will present him in conversation with Wayne Hazzard, Monday, November 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Forum. The man has a way with words, so it should be provocative. Then, on Sunday, November 7 at 8 p.m. at ODC Theater, **AXIS Dance Company** will premiere *Jane Eyre*, which Goode conceived, choreographed and wrote

in collaboration with AXIS. The disabled/abled dancers will also present works from their repertoire.

Stephen Petronio Dance Company will premiere *Strange Attractors* at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater, November 4-7, Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. Petronio continues his multi-year residency under the auspices of San Francisco Performances, which gives him the chance to create new work in a supportive environment.

November 11-13 and 18-20, Thursdays-Saturdays at 8 p.m. at ODC Theater, **Deborah Slater Dance Theater** will celebrate its 10th anniversary with the premiere of *Forgiveness and Other True Fictions*, investigating the nature of relationships and community.

In an unusual collaboration, **Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company** and **Dimensions Dance Theater** will combine traditional Chinese, African and contemporary dance in a new work opening November 12-13, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater.

Ethnic dance

While the Ethnic Dance Festival is only three weeks in June, the Bay Area has plenty to offer the rest of the year.

Amalia Hernandez's **Ballet Folklórico de México**, always spectacular, opens at the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts from September 9-12, Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. The company will then make a single appearance at Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley, Tuesday, September 14 at 8 p.m. If you've never seen them, go.

La Tania Flamenco Music and Dance presents the premiere of *Passage of the Muse*, September 10-12, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at the

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Déjà vu all over again

by Victoria A. Brownworth

Everything old is new again. Not only is every other "new" song a cover of something from our youth, not only is The Gap playing Donovan's *Mellow Yellow* (which in our youth was a covert queer song, and in the Gap commercials is *out there* queer) to sell cords, not only is our 14-year-old niece wearing exactly the same clothes we were wearing in high school (except the lipstick is now black instead of white), but TV looks like a series of flashbacks as well. Too many acids trips in our youth? Perhaps—or perhaps it's just network nostalgia taking hold. George Bush Jr. may have forgotten his salad days (and excuse us, but don't the Republicans have a strange sense of time? First Henry Hyde refers to his "youthful indiscretions" with a married woman—he was in his late 40s—but Baby Bush thinks 28 is childhood. Perhaps all those twentysomething drug offenders getting hefty sentences in Texas should start claiming the Baby Bush defense. But we digress.)—but network execs are desperate to relive theirs.

Take boomer David Kelley, who wants to grow up to be Aaron Spelling and have every third program on TV that isn't *Dateline* be his brain (well, maybe that's a stretch) child. We like *The Practice* with that tight-assed cutiepie Dylan McDermott and the fabu fat chick, Camryn Manheim. We do not like *Ally McBeal*—in part because we find concentration camp chic a little creepy and in part because we like our humor to have a little sophistication. We have come to despise *Chicago Hope* because we never liked stereotypes, but this season Kelley has basically dumped the old cast and brought in new blood (well, people from his other, now deceased, shows like *Picket Fences*, which we liked until it got really silly). And Barbara Hershey is a particular guilty pleasure of ours, even with the lip implants (she starred as a lesbian in a TV movie when we were very young and we have never gotten over it); we can't quite see her as a brain surgeon, but we're willing to give it a try. And of course, we are still waiting for Doc Hancock to get a storyline.

Kelley's newest baby is *Snoops*, to premiere on ABC, which is *Charlie's Angels* revisited. Cheryl Ladd, who was one of the old angels, did some diplomatic dissing of the whole concept recently in an interview, suggesting it might be out of date. (How dare she live in the moment!) We tend to agree, but watch if you like that sort of thing—we prefer our *Mystery!* on PBS.

Has-been roll call

Then there's *Ladies Night* with Alfred Molina (oh, how the mighty have fallen), Betty White and Dixie Carter, which looks suspiciously like a hybrid of *The Golden Girls* and *Designing Women*—and of course stars one ancient has-been actress from each. This will no doubt be a wrinkle room hit; we can already hear the VCRs whirring in the homes of our favorite interior decorators.

Another case of déjà vu is

NBC's *Freaks and Geeks* (nice title), about what high school was really like way, way back in—grab the Geritol, honey, and some Centrum, too—1980! This is another hybrid—of *Boy Meets World*, *Welcome Back, Kotter* and a whole raft of shows you never watched because you were already too old and had more than three brain cells, despite the acid. The eponymous freaks and geeks are all straight of course (and all boys, because girls are *never* geeks), so it isn't like any high school we ever heard of (or attended, and we



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went to a few, in part because we came out in high school). Fox has a variation on this theme with *Get Real*, which takes place in 1999 but looks a whole lot funnier, though one still needs to be in the proper age range,

which would be hovering around pubescence.

Speaking of those who hover around pubescents, Kevin Williamson, who appeared in bondage on a recent cover of the *Advocate*, which is apparently the only way to get actual gay people to be in the magazine, said on ABC's *Politically Incorrect* last week that the WB's fan fave *Dawson's Creek*, which he produces, will be stepping up the queer storyline with Jack. If Williamson's delightful black comedy, *Teaching Mrs. Tingle* (Helen Mirren is another of our guilty pleasures), is any indicator (there's a whole lot of queer subtext there and one very interesting scene between teen heartthrob Barry Watson from the WB's *Seventh Heaven* and his coach), queer teens will be in for a treat at the *Creek*.

The remarkable lack of upset over the intergenerational love affair (Pacey and his older woman teacher) on *Creek* as well as the rampant number of older woman/younger man storylines on the soaps plus the demographics of the TV audience has spawned interest in that idea—hence ABC's *Then Came You* (we know what we'd like this show to be about), about an older (she's 33—Betty White, move over) woman and a younger (he's 22) man. We're slapping our thighs already at the possibilities—or was that just our Thighmaster acting up again?

It's a guy thing

Then we have ABC's *Oh Grow Up*, which is what we want to say to everyone who produced this season's TV line-up. This is *Men Behaving Badly* blended with *The Odd Couple*, with a *souçon* of *Friends*, and it looks especially stupid, even for a guy show (and

having suffered through *King of the Hill*, *The Family Guy* and *The Norm Show*, we know a stupid guy show when we see one). However, since it sports (no pun intended) the only new queer character this season, we will be forced to watch—and gag as we go. Speaking of gagging, NBC's *Cold Feet* looks disturbingly like *thirtysomething* meets *Providence* and exudes heterosexual angst in a way that makes us retch as we reach for our remote. Waaaay too cutesy and icky.

Meanwhile, what shows are not reprises are spin-offs, which is, for those who don't watch TV, a network declension of reprise. Some shows sound like spin-offs of each other—CBS has *Now and Again* starring John Goodman (this show is actually about déjà vu) and ABC has *Once and Again*, with Sela Ward (and from the people who brought us *thirtysomething*—who are now all fiftysomething—and *My So-Called Life*), which is about how love for heterosexuals is better the second time around. We have NBC's *Third Watch*, the paramedic version of *ER* (and since *ER* is losing every interesting character and/or actor it has, *spin out* might be a better term) from the *ER* creators. Call this *Rescue 911* with pretty people and lots of make-up. NBC also offers *Law & Order: Special Victims Unit*—the innovative title says it all.

The WB proffers *Angel*, spun-off from our fave cult hit, *Buffy, the Vampire Slayer*, starring *People* pretty boy from our very own hood, hunky David Boreanaz. *Angel* also steals *Buffy* bad girl Charisma Carpenter (Cordelia). For cultists, goths and those who always wanted to blow up their high schools, but since it was before Al Gore invented the Internet, didn't know how. That same crew will also like the WB's *Roswell*, the only new conspiracy-theory UFO show this season—but since it's on the WB, nobody is older than 20. Call this *The Gen-X Files*.

Two shows sum up the "new" season to us: ABC's twentysomething angstfest *Wasteland* (no, it has nothing to do with T.S. Eliot) and ABC's *Stark Raving Mad* (starring Neil Patrick Harris as a literary agent—we are *not* making this up. Guess when Doogie Howser got tired of being a doctor at 20 he decided to go into publishing, since he was too old to move to the WB. Where is Orson Welles when we need him? Yes, boys and girls, it is a wasteland out there in Television Land, and it might drive you stark raving mad. But cheer up—the season premiere of *Beverly Hills 90210* is coming up on September 8. Sometimes the oldies are the goodies. Call us mellow yellow—quite rightly. ▼

Road warriors

A painting of dubious merit tests friendships in Yasmina Reza's *Art* (Sept. 14-Oct. 10 at the Curran). Judd Hirsh recreates his Broadway role in the touring company.

Petula Clark moves from downtown to *Sunset Boulevard* (Oct. 13-Nov. 7 at the Curran) in Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical version of the Billy Wilder classic.

Joely Fisher, best known as a friend of Ellen, stars as Sally Bowles in the cranked-up revival of *Cabaret* (Nov. 17-Jan. 2 at the Curran) that became a Broadway hit all over again. ▼

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'In the Life' continues its PBS run

by Victoria A. Brownworth

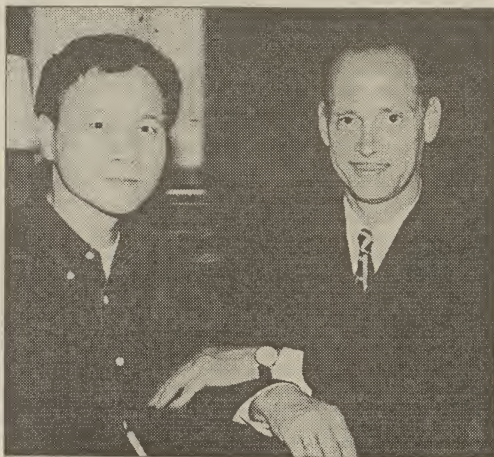
Film as propaganda is as old as the medium itself — just ask Leni Riefenstahl, who is also as old as filmmaking. So it should surprise no one that film comes right after the Bible as a proof text for any ideology one wants to espouse (in Riefenstahl's case, Nazism). And that is the titular topic of this month's *In the Life* (PBS), the only truly queer program on network television. Five intriguing spots and the winner of *In the Life*'s 1999 short film and video contest make up the hour, and nearly all of it fascinates.

Film distribution is the subject of the first spot, by *In the Life*'s star reporter, Jonathan Capehart, who won a Pulitzer Prize this year for distinguished editorial writing (having been a nominee in this category ourselves, we were impressed). This segment includes interviews with film distributors like Mike Thomas, a founder of San Francisco-born Strand Releasing, which just enjoyed a retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. How queer films get "out there" could be grist for a full-length documentary, but this short spot certainly gives the viewer a sense of the process and how lucky we are that a handful of men and women got the reels spinning.

Most queers who love film also love the bad boy of Baltimore, John Waters. The profile of him is exactly what one would expect — witty, acerbic and somewhat risqué. Waters fans will be pleased — especially to see early stills of him directing such camp cult (and scat) classics as *Pink Flamingoes* and *Desperate Living*. He talks about queers and film, why he lives and works in Baltimore, how he went from cult queen to Hollywood hipster, and more. Waters' basic take on queerness: What we suffer makes us strong and more creative.

'Battle for the box'

The propaganda war over the so-called "homosexual agenda" has been the stuff of Christian TV and PBS programming other than *In the Life*. Academy Award-winning documentary Debra Chasnoff made a film, *It's Elementary*, about how homophobia was being addressed in grade schools around the country (her film,



John Waters, interviewed by *In the Life* Exec. Producer Charles Ignacio

which has aired on PBS in the states that didn't ban it, was quite interesting). The film received critical acclaim and an Oscar nomination — and a firestorm of controversy from the religious right, which essentially deemed it a visual aid for Satan. This segment investigates the "battle for the box" and focuses in part on San Francisco's decision to run the film, and how Christian rightists demanded equal air time for their own tale of the homosexual agenda in the schools (which PBS refused to air). We think we know who we're up against in the propaganda wars, but this segment is a tad creepy; regular moms sound pretty scary voicing their hate speech in the vernacular of the classroom.

What those moms would think of elfin Bruce Vilanch, star of *Hollywood Squares* and author of every funny line uttered at any awards show seen in this decade, is hard to visualize. Queen of queens, Vilanch is an unprepossessing genius of the repartee of the stage. He's been the voice of Whoopi Goldberg, Billy Crystal and Bette Midler, among others, and his lines, delivered by these paragons of perfect timing, have provided many of us with some pants-pissing moments over the years. Who knew? This is the kind of profiling that makes *In the Life* a treasure.

Alas, the reportage of Alisa Lebow from the gay and lesbian film festival of Budapest (still

awake?) is the kind of segment *In the Life* prides itself on (no pun intended), but which tends to turn the viewer who has graduated from Queer 101 right off. Lebow's report focuses on how films help validate the efforts of the small but growing activist queer community in Hungary. With lots of interviews.

Finally, the superb short film *Tomboy* by African American sports maven Donna Carter is a gem. Black and white, using a range of mediums, Carter's autobiographical short details what it means when little girls want to play sports. Sweet, moving and lyric, it explicates Carter's own struggle to outrace her mother's lace propaganda and become first a basketball star and then the publisher of the first-ever women's sports page. Very nice work.

Set the VCR for this ep — you'll want to see Vilanch, Waters and Carter, for sure. ▼

In the Life airs on KQED Channel 9 on Monday, Sept. 6 at 11 p.m. and Thurs., Sept. 9 at 1 a.m.

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Mrs. Tingle

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Leigh Ann, her best friend Jo Lynn (Marisa Coughlin), and the bad boy they both desire, Luke (*Seventh Heaven*'s Barry Watson) get caught in a compromising ethical position by Tingle. They go to her house later to beg forgiveness, and things go from bad to worse (the campiness of the music in this scene alone is worth the price of admission). Tingle ends up in bondage, friends turn against friends (or do they?), blackmail photos are taken and things get *tres* dicey.

There are some terrific scenes — cutiepie Watson kissing his burly coach (who mistakes him

for Tingle; he is blindfolded) and not minding at all ("That was interesting"); Mirren doing a marvelous dominatrix turn; Coughlin, in a small treasure of a performance, doing a fabu bit as Linda Blair in *The Exorcist*; Molly Ringwald, refugee from many a teen flick in her own youth, as the campiest substitute teacher in recent memory.

Make no mistake; this film has no happy ending. (Morality aches for the last scene to have ended on the cutting room floor, but the '90s demand otherwise.) This is a multi-layered movie about revenge in all its many evil forms. *Teaching Mrs. Tingle* is a nasty little revenge fantasy that gives a nice frisson. ▼

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Wallowing in all things bookish

by Deborah Peifer

When I announced my intention to move to San Francisco from Tempe, Arizona (don't ask), bibliophilic friends expressed serious envy. San Francisco, they insisted, was a book-lover's dream. Indeed it is. My first apartment was across the street from two bookstores that stayed open until midnight, with several more within comfortable strolling distance. The upcoming book season offers readings, classes, events and more, proof that those of us who love to read are legion.

Here are some highlights: The San Francisco Main Library (100 Larkin Street) kicks off its September events with "A Krupskaya Celebration" featuring readings from books published by this new Bay Area publishing house. Krupskaya is dedicated to publishing innovative poetry and prose, so dust off that manuscript and head on down to the Main on September 8, at 6 p.m.

On September 14 at 6 p.m., Lailee Bakhtiar van Dillen, Luba Brezhnev, and Myriam Lesnik Chavez, representing Iran, Russia, and Cuba, come together to explore the ways in which literature helps to create bridges between cultures as a step toward reconcil-

iation with the past.

For more information on a plethora of programs at the library, drop into any branch to pick up a monthly schedule. If you join the Friends of the Library, they'll send you a schedule in the mail.

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Books Inc. holds a Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence Soiree on September 2 at the 2275 Market Street store (864-6777). Won't that make Strom storm! Peter Robinson offers a workshop for writers, "Memoir to Fiction," at

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CenterStage at Osher Marin JCC (200 North San Pedro) adds an "Authors and Artists" series to its already extraordinary performance season. Featured writers include Thomas Keneally (*The Great Shame*, *Schindler's List*) on October 14, playwright Neil Simon (*The Play Goes On*) October 6, and Carl Reiner (*How Paul Robeson Saved My Life*) October 11. Call 479-2000 for tickets.

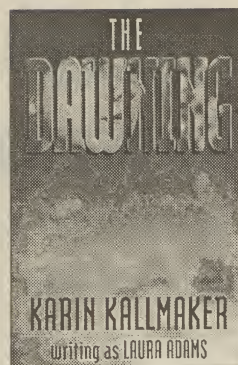
Book Festival switch

Get out the calendar and mark October 16-17 for this year's San Francisco Bay Area Book Festival. Yes, this is the one that usually takes place in November at the Design Center. This year they've not only changed the date, but also the venue. So schlep down to Fort Mason and wallow gloriously in all things bookish. Call 487-4550 or sfbook.org.

Briefly

Noted lesbian romance writer Karin Kallmaker developed an additional authorial personality and, writing as Laura Adams, created a breathtakingly haunting tale of interplanetary visitation with *Night Vision* (Naiad). In *The Dawning*, the second of what I fervently hope will be a long-running series, Adams takes another look at the connection between the women of Pallas and the women of Earth.

The Dawning is not so much a sequel as another tale in the saga of these women. This novel concerns the plight of Amanda Martin, who played a small, but to her, unforgetable part in the 1986 Challenger disaster. She's spent the 13 years since the explosion in an isolated cabin, blaming herself for the deaths. Imagine her surprise, and ours, when she spots Christa McAuliffe struggling across a rain-swollen river. Has Amanda finally checked out of the Hotel Sane, is Christa really alive, or is something otherworldly going on? Adams does an extraordinary job creating vivid characters about whom we learn to care deeply. I



was particularly impressed with her skill at making an incredible situation absolutely believable. The reappearance of some of the *Night Vision* characters is a real treat, one that made me think I'd enjoy rereading the first tale in the series. *The Dawning* is lovely, sexy, and smart, a novel that invites us to ponder the imponderable. Quite an achievement for an alter-ego, don't you think? ▼

If you have gossip, inquiries or information of a literary nature, send them to peifer@aol.com, or via snail mail to the B.A.R.



Book Report



Lailee Bakhtiar van Dillen, Luba Brezhnev, and Myriam Lesnik Chavez

Was she or wasn't she?

New Eleanor Roosevelt biography helps settle controversy

by Bradley David

Thirty-seven years after her death, Eleanor Roosevelt remains a giant of an American icon, respected almost universally as a pioneering female leader and humanitarian, and revered by many as a lover of other women. While some historians refuse to acknowledge the ample evidence of ER's romantic relationship with the famous journalist Lorena Hickock, the gay and lesbian world long ago adopted the larger-than-life First Lady and political activist as "one of us."

"Unless you're a really homophobic person who just doesn't want to face the truth, you really have to see that this is one of the most abiding and absorbing and intimate and erotic relationships that we've come upon in history," says Blanche Wiesen Cook, author of *Eleanor Roosevelt: Volume 2, 1933-1938* (Viking, \$34.95), the recently-published second book of her definitive three-volume biography, this one dealing with the New Deal years of FDR's presidency. Cook, a professor of history and gay and lesbian studies at the City College of New York, has spent two decades researching and writing about her subject.

In the final chapter of *Volume 1* (Penguin, \$16.95), which covers ER's life from her birth in 1884 until she became First Lady in 1933, Cook presents the full story of Lorena Hickock (affectionately called "Hick" by ER). A very prominent reporter for the Associated Press, Hickock became acquainted with ER when she was



assigned to cover the future First Lady on the campaign trail in 1932. By the time FDR was elected president, the relationship between the two women had become so intimate that Hick decided to put her illustrious writing career on hold in order to be near ER. Hickock moved into the White House and was given a job in the FDR administration.

There was gossip among Washington insiders about the relationship, but the media looked the other way, as they did in concealing FDR's polio and his own extramarital relationships.

"In all modesty, I think my biography is the first to use the Lorena Hickock material in a clear way," says Cook in a recent interview. "It's a very complicated story, because Hick thought that they were going to have an exclusive relationship. The tragedy was that ER could not give up her public life for the woman she loved. And the other side of that is that Hick did give up her career for the woman she loved, which

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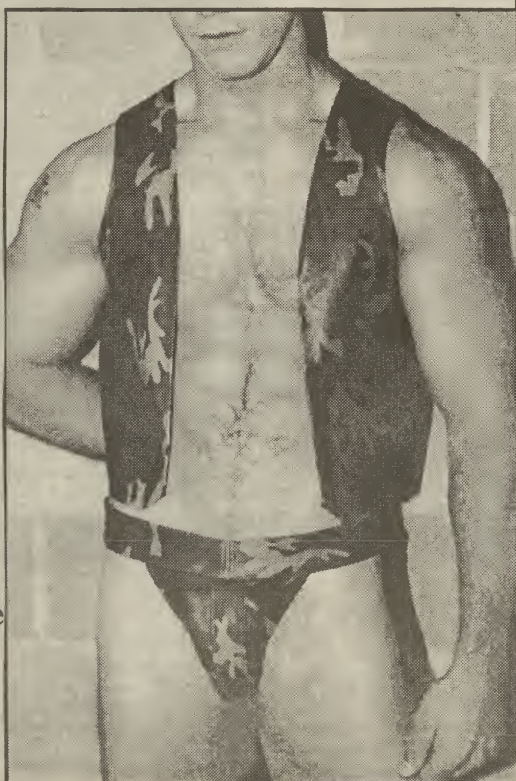
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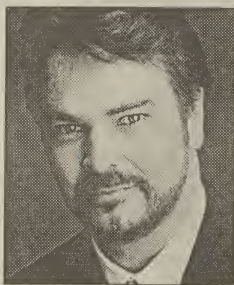
by Philip Campbell

Single ticket sales for the 1999-2000 San Francisco Symphony season opened last Monday to the general public. For those who couldn't make the ritual encampment outside the box office, take heart, there is still time to snap up choice seats for the most promising events. Music Director Michael Tilson Thomas will be entering contract negotiations next year and, while no one thinks he is likely to desert his post after only five years, there is more reason than ever to give him added incentive to remain.

It seems like only yesterday that MTT blew into town and injected some much-needed energy into an increasingly staid institution. His predecessor, Herbert Blomstedt, brought international attention and admiration to the Symphony with a series of well-received recordings, but regular patrons were aging rapidly, and there didn't seem to be much interest from younger or first-time attendees.

Four seasons later, there are more and more new faces in the audience, and Tilson Thomas continues to get plenty of national and international press. The world media envies our luck in having such star power in residence, and the maestro has become as identifiably San Franciscan as good coffee, old money and the layered look. The honeymoon continues unabated, and Fall and the approaching millennium will bring plenty of opportunities for music-lovers to share in the celebration at Davies Hall.

The opening gala of the Symphony's 88th season will probably be sold out, but the interesting program will repeat with different guest artists. Of course, Nicolle



Tenor Marcus Haddock

Foland and Marcus Haddock (who?) hardly have the glamour or name recognition of husband-and-wife team Roberto Alagna and Angela Gheorghiu, but the program is rich and varied. The closing scene from Act I of *La Bohème* and the duet from Act I of *Otello* will be duplicated with the second-string singers, and they wouldn't have been chosen if MTT didn't know something we should know about, too.

Another early season concert of special appeal will feature more opera and song, as the phenomenal soprano Deborah Voigt essays the final scene from *Salome* and the first SFS performances of Samuel Barber's *Andromache's Farewell*, Opus 39. These programs include Mozart's Symphony No. 35, *Haffner*, and Janacek's tangy *Sinfonietta*.

Power bars

The following weeks continue to spike the power flow, with Principal Keyboardist Robin Sutherland at center stage for the remarkable Symphony No. 2, *Age of Anxiety* by Leonard Bernstein, with Beethoven's Fifth rounding out the evening. Next comes everyone's favorite baritone, hunky Thomas Hampson, singing *American Journey* by Charles Ives and MTT's own setting of our greatest American poet Walt Whitman's words — *Whitman Songs*. This concert includes the Sibelius Seventh. Wow!

It may be tempting to make a virtual laundry list of season highlights, but it is safer to recommend any concert with Michael Tilson Thomas on the podium for first-time listeners or folks with a need to budget their arts dollars. There are many returning guest conductors with

proven track records and wonderful repertoire, but nothing can really match the sense of occasion when MTT is in the house.

There will be 34 20th-Century works, 23 SFS premieres, 12 works by American composers, and 11 works by living composers this season. In typical style, Tilson Thomas will sandwich in some real mavericks: the jazzy Saxophone Concerto by his former teacher, Ingolf Dahl, and Giacinto Scelsi's *Konx-Om-Pax* as an opener for Beethoven's Ninth.

I strongly urge those who are online, or with access, to visit the Symphony's website, <http://www.sfsymphony.org>. It is fun and informative with details about the season, current activities and history. Tickets can be purchased directly, and there are program notes, seating charts, and even snippets of SFS recordings.

A trip to the box office will get you a detailed free season brochure and the opportunity to discuss best seating with one of the friendliest and most helpful staffs in town.

It is also high time to be asking, "What are you doing New Year's Eve?" as those who will not be making a pilgrimage to Las Vegas wonder how they will party like it's 1999. Michael Tilson Thomas will join his gal-pals Audra McDonald and Frederica von Stade with the San Francisco Klezmer Experience and the SFS for a New Year's Eve Millennium Gala. Call me heretic, but I'll catch Barbra on HBO —



Michael Tilson Thomas, music director of the San Francisco Symphony

I'd rather be swinging with MTT and the gang at Davies Hall.

We will be reporting on all the events of the coming season, and the welter of Fall openings may have everyone wondering where they will find the time or the money, but it wouldn't be Au-

turn in San Francisco without some carefully chosen Symphony concerts and a chance to share in Tilson Thomas's passion. ▼

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OUT & ABOUT

Calendare

by Mark Mardon

It's the music, dammit

In all the hoopla over the drag-rock musical *Cyberotica* during its first run earlier this summer, much was made of the cast and characters, but precious little was said about the show's main strength: Its rockin' music.

Not since this summer's Hole/Marilyn Manson tour have I enjoyed a rock concert so much (well, okay, Blue Period's David Bowie covers at Slim's rocked my world, and Mickey Hart's Planet Drum kicked ass up in Calaveras County). With **Peter Fogel** on guitar, **Tim Perdue** (both formerly of Enrique) on bass, **Birdie Bob Watt** on keyboard, and **Dana Ross** on drums, the music of *Cyberotica* packs a wallop, driving the show's energy sky high.

And in this show, musicianship is the key to success. I'm willing to give drag performers a lot of slack, but I'm a stickler when it comes to rock bands. Had the music been less than exceptional, the show would've fallen flat. It would have been just another hag-gard drag cabaret.

Fortunately, thanks to the creative talents of **Fogel, Perdue, and Christian Matthews**, who composed the music, and the musical direction of **Birdie Bob Watt**, the show transcends the usual drag-cabaret limitations, wherein instrumentalists tend to take a back seat to vocalists, and everything gets upstaged by "glamour." Here the glamour lies in the very concept of drag performers singing live rock, backed up by a great band.

And let us not dismiss the vocal talents of the cast, who collectively and individually project rock-star qualities, wailing and emoting with the best of 'em. **Steven LeMay** and **Pippi Lovestocking**, in their terrorist duet, exude a comic but thrilling menace. **Leigh Crow** sings balls-out. **Laurie Bushman** captures the right note of religious zealotry in his/her quest to kill a tranny for Jesus. These are folks who know that rock music is all about rebellion, and having been outcasts all their lives, they pack more wallop in their performances than a dozen Eddie Vedders.

While *Cyberotica*'s Internet-tranny tale entertains in the best tradition of camp, rousing audiences with clever one-liners and slapstick set-ups, what really gets the crowd up on its feet, shouting, laughing and applauding is the rock-solid rock.

Now let's see if MTV picks it up. ▼

Cyberotica returns to the Trans-mission Theatre every Thursday night through October 28, beginning Sept. 9. \$10. 9pm. 21+ 314 Eleventh St. (at Folsom). 861-6096.



Public bathrooms are the subject of Jim James' *Piss Elegant* exhibit at Mad Magda's. See Monday.

Fri

ODC Theater

Australia's White Cockatoo Performance Group, led by Aboriginal didgeridu master and tribal elder David Blanas, play ceremonial songs from their native land. Also on the bill is local composer, multi-instrumentalist and didgeridu master Stephen Kent, who integrates the didgeridu sound into contemporary compositions. \$13 adv./\$15 door. 8pm (preceded by a free panel discussion at 7pm). 3153 17th St. (at Shotwell). 863-9834.

Quan Yin Healing Arts Center

"Meditation for Relationships" with Buddhist teacher John Burns. Learn how to relax and focus your mind to promote healing and happiness. All welcome, in particular those affected by health-threatening conditions such as HIV/AIDS and cancer, and their caregivers. \$5 suggested donation. 6:30-8pm. 1748 Market St. (at Valencia).

Jon Sims Center

"Bear-A-Go-Go!" A work in progress about body image in the gay-male world as seen through the filter of its "Bear" subculture, by Alan Reade. Seven characters illuminate stereotypes of fat gay men, exploring how one subculture marginalizes another. \$5. 8:30pm. Jon Sims Center for the Performing Arts, 1519 Mission St. (at 11th).

Sat

Marriott Convention Center, Oakland

"Mega MixX '99," one of the largest-ever dances for the Northern California community of women who love women, presented by Bay Area Career Women as part of the International Stonewall 30 Celebration. Featuring live performances by acclaimed Hip-Hop recording artist Yo Yu, the all-female band Seven Shades XX, and DJs Page Hodel (Club Q), EDAJ (Backstreet/Mango), Lily Tran (Flavor), Chili D (Mango/Mami) and Black (Red/Brown Suga). Two dance areas featuring R&B, Salsa, Dance Hall, reggae, Motown, Hip-Hop, and soulful house. Digital light shows, go-go dancers, and a "Top of the MixX" lounge with spectacular views, buffet dinner, and live performances by the Oakland-based piano/vocal duo of Gill & Steele playing jazz, blues and pop tunes. \$20 advance; \$25 door (\$100 advance including "Top of the MixX" lounge). 9pm-2am (8pm-2am for "Top of the MixX" lounge). 1001 Broadway (at 10th St.), Oakland. Tix/info: (415) 495-5393 or BASS.

Dolores Park

The San Francisco Mime Troupe performs "City for Sale," a parody of greedy, corrupt developers versus artists fighting over so-called artists' live/work spaces. Free (donations gladly accepted). 2pm. Also on Sept. 5 & 6. Info: 285-1717.

Cafe Macondo

Meeting of Gay Geeks, the gay/bi/lesbian haven for intellectuals and visionaries. Talk-fest covers every topic imaginable, from archeology to comparative religions, philosophy, and science. Not a computer group. Free. 2-5pm. 3159 16th St. (btwn. Valencia & Guerrero).

ATA Gallery

Other Cinema inaugurates its 14th year with "Car-Culture Critiques," a program of home-made media-artwork taking aim at the gas guzzling gremlins that clog and despoil our neighborhoods. Featuring Ted White's "We're Not Blocking Traffic, We Are Traffic," a ride with Critical Mass bicyclists, plus "Fall of the Land" by Sarah Lewison and Niki Cousino, about four wacky women activists on a cross-country trek in a van fueled by used fast-food french-fry oil. \$5. 8pm. Artists' Television Access, 992 Valencia St. 824-3890.

Kayo Books

Jaye Zimet reads from *Strange Sisters: The Art of Lesbian Pulp Fiction, 1949-1969*. The book includes 200 full-color cover reproductions from lesbian pulp paperbacks from the 1950s and '60s. Free. 814 Post St. (at Leavenworth). 749-0554.

Washington Square Gallery

Opening reception: "Between the Lines," recent works by gay artist Baju Wijono, featuring both his oil-on-canvas paintings and an installation. Free. 5-8pm. 1821 Powell St. (at Filbert). 291-9255.

Chinese Culture Center

Opening reception: "Folding by Design," paper constructions by Nancy Loo Bjorge, paper folded into intricate patterns Chinese-born Asian American artist Bjorge calls "paper quilts," whose roots lie in the ancient art of paper folding. Free. 2-3:30pm. The Chinese Culture Center, 750 Kearny St., Holiday Inn, 3rd Floor. 986-1822.

Planet X, San Jose

Club Papi presents "The Brown Party," part of "Latin Mardi Gras Weekend," featuring a live appearance by Latin house/merengue singer Mayé ("Bailando"), plus giveaways of new CDs by Ana Gabriel. With DJ Salvador and special guest Ernie Pearl. 9pm-2am. 21+. 8 South 1st St., San Jose. Info: (408) 793-0113.

Club Tango Tango

"Shakin' not Stirred," featuring house DJs Jeff Brillhart and Fil Lattore and disco DJ Will Shake. Euro-style lounge. Free mix tapes to first 10 customers. \$3 after 11pm (always free for those in drag). 9pm-2am. 21+. 1550 California St. (at Polk). Info: 245-8267.

Sun

Nile Hall, Oakland

Q-Spirit presents "Coming Out/Coming In," a techno-ritual dance and spiritual celebration, part of Oakland's official Stonewall 30 Gay Pride Celebration. A multimedia event with dancing, music, guided and participatory processes, artistic performances, and rituals drawing from a variety of the world's spiritual traditions. A drug- and alcohol-free event. \$10 donation. 12 noon-3pm. 668-113th St., Preservation Park, Oakland. Info: 281-9377.

A Different Light

Waide Riddle reads from his first book of poetry, *All American Texan*, which includes the critically acclaimed and award-winning "Grandmother" and "Two Men Kissing." Free. 7:30pm. A Different Light Bookstore, 489 Castro St. 431-0891.

Great American Music Hall

Pansy Division (Lookout Records) play their inimitable style of queer rock as part of the 3-day Lookout Freakout! Also on the bill: The Scav-

engers (aka The Avengers), The Plus Ones, and Toward An End. All ages. 859 O'Farrell St. Info: 855-0750 or Tristin at Lookout Records: (510) 849-3800, ext. 13.

174 King St.

Sundance Saloon presents "Summer Round-up," a fundraiser for the AIDS Emergency Fund and the Sundance Assn. for Country-Western Dancing. Featuring performances by Charlie Pacheco and J. Brian Washman plus a raffle and silent auction. On hand will be the Bare Chest Calendar 2000 men. \$8. 6-11pm (dance lessons 6-7:30pm). Near 3rd St. 699-5764.

Asia SF

iPan Dulce! and Club Mami present "The Recovery Party," part of "Latin Mardi Gras Weekend," featuring DJ Salvador along with go-go Papi's and Mami's. Drink specials and CD giveaways. 10pm-2am. 21+. 201 9th St. Info: 675-9763.

Mon

Mad Magda's

Opening reception: "Piss Elegant," featuring photography by the notorious Jim James. His images offer a serious but playful exploration into the form, content, color and textures of public bathrooms. Free. 7-9pm. 579 Hayes St. 864-7654.

Bottom of the Hill

DragStrip presents "Merkinstock '99," S.F.'s take-off on Wigstock. Hosted by Leigh Crow and Heklima. Featuring drag kings, queens, trannies, and nightclub royalty. With S.F. Drag King '99 Barry "Fresh" White along with Jordan LaMoore, Fudgie Frothing, Miss Emma Peel, Arty Fishal and others. Benefits P.A.W.S. \$5 in drag; \$7 tired attire. All You Can Eat BBQ at 4pm. Drag show 5:30-10pm. 1233 17th St. (at Texas). Info: 313-3772.

Tue

Noh Space

Theatre of Yugen presents "Six Songs in Search of a Plot," created by Carla Smith-Zilber, part of the Monday/Tuesday Night Series dedicated to emerging and professional multicultural



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Barry White, Jordan LaMoore and Fudgie Frottag cook it up at Merkinstock '99 at Bottom of the Hill. See Monday.

artists. \$10-\$12. 8pm. 2840 Mariposa St. (at Project Artaud, btwn. Florida and Alabama streets). 621-7978.

Wed 8

New Conservatory Theatre Center

Preview: World premiere of "Preaching to the Perverted" by Obie Award-winning writer and notorious poster girl for free expression Holly Hughes. She reports on her recent appearance before the U.S. Supreme Court and takes on decency, family-lesbian chic, and child pornography. \$10 previews (including tomorrow, 9/9/99). Opens 9/10 and runs thru 9/25. 8pm. 25 Van Ness Ave., Lower Lobby (at Market St.). 861-8972.

Metropolitan Community Church

Smearing the Queer author Michael Scarce talks about the social prejudices within scientific research and practice that work as a detriment to our health. Free (donations gladly accepted). 8:15pm. 150 Eureka St. 863-4434.

Josie's

"The Duboce A-Thon," featuring back-to-back episodes of "The Duboce Triangle" gay soap, starring the Half Baked Players. Tonight's episode (1st of 4): "The Menacing Phantom" by Garret Jon Groenewald. \$10. 8pm Josie's Cabaret & Juice Joint, 3583 16th St. (at Market). 861-7933.

SFMOMA Rental Gallery

Opening reception: "Pieced Together," an exhibition featuring the works of collage artists Peter Foley, Susan Green, Michael Mew, Robert Larson, Michael Pauker, Rene Rodriguez, Deborah Salomon, and Glen Watson. Free. 5:30-7:30pm. Building A, Fort Mason Center. 441-4777.

Thu

Josie's

"The Duboce A-Thon," continues. Tonight's episode (2nd of 4): "Can I See Your Briefs?" by Dean Backus. \$10. 8pm Josie's Cabaret &

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111 Minna Gallery

Opening reception: "Poptarts (divas of pop)." Featuring works by Isabel Samaras, Johanna St. Claire, Sharon Leong and other women artists. Free. 6pm-late. 111 Minna St. Info: 974-1719.

Venue 9

Footloose 25th Anniversary benefit performance and party. Featuring Drama, Dance and Danzón by Elizabeth Gjetten, live vocals and Cuban boleros. Plus live Cuban music by Orquesta La Moderna Tradición, led by Roberto Borrell. Post-performance party featuring Latin DJ dancing, food and drinks. \$10-\$15 sliding. 8pm. 289-2000.

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James Hillman, author of *The Soul's Code* and former direc-

tor of the Jung Institute, reads from *The Force of Character*, challenging us to stop denying the facts and lessons of old age. He recasts the last part of life as a time which can fulfill and confirm one's character, and demonstrates a respect and a purpose for aging that has been too long ignored in our culture. Free. 12:30pm. Opera Plaza, 601 Van Ness Ave. 441-6670.

Braunstein/Quay Gallery

Opening reception: works by Kyle Reicher (acid-etched steel panels) and Christine Eudoxie (images of graffiti, the homeless, and other urban views on paper and linen). Free. 5:30-7:30pm. 430 Clementina (btwn. 5th & 6th streets). 278-9850.

Gershwin Theatre

Opening night: 42nd Street Moon presents cabaret sensa-

tion Andrea Marcovicci and Broadway veteran Michael DeVries in "On A Clear Day You Can See Forever," directed by Wayne Bryan. \$25-\$32. 8pm. Thru 9/12. 2350 Turk St. (west of Masonic). Tix: 621-7797.

Robert Koch Gallery

Opening reception: "Carleton Watkins: California & Oregon," urban and wilderness landscape photographs by Carleton Watkins (concurrent with the Watkins show at SF-MOMA), featuring Watkins' Imperial Plates (8" x 11"). Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Robert Koch Gallery. Also: "Robert Parke-Harrison: Promisedland," elaborate sets depicting industrial landscapes of smokestacks and strange machines. Free. 5:30-7:30pm. 49 Geary St. 421-0122.

The Marsh

Preview: "House of Lucky," a solo show by Frank Wortham, who portrays 17 characters in the story of Harper Jones, a twenty-something "beat poet" trying to stay alive in 1999 San Francisco. Pay what you can. 8:30pm. 1062 Valencia St. (near 22nd). 826-5750.

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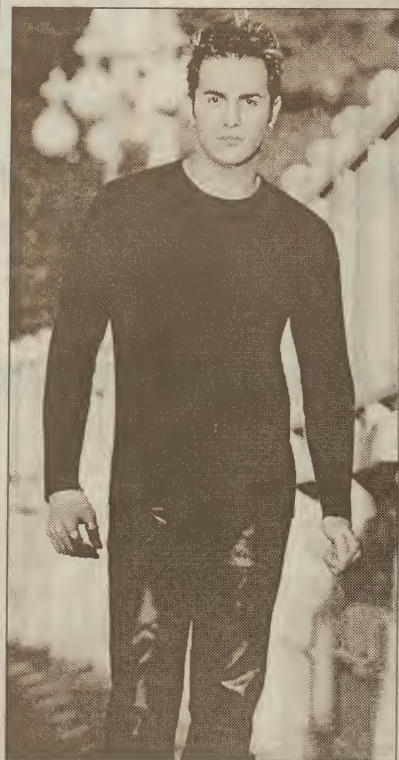
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Mad about the boy(s)

by Mister Marcus

This coming Sunday, September 5, the Leather Daddies of San Francisco will stage the 17th annual SF Leather Daddy's Boy contest during the beer bust (from 1500-1800 hours) in the patio of the Eagle. For a donation of only \$8, you get all the foam you can absorb, food, entertainment and a bevy of boys competing in one of the most popular events in the sash community.

The judges — IMs.L Pam Meyer, leather maven Sandy "Mama" Reinhardt, Kelly Showers, Loren Berthelson and outgoing Leather Daddy's Boy Todd Kepus — are ready to put the contestants through the paces. Alas, at deadline time, no contestant roster was available.

It's been a good year for Todd. His leather daddy, Kelly Showers, fell ill shortly after winning his title, and Todd was obliged to represent them both at many leather-related events, and even at events with other priorities. Nevertheless, he carried through like a trooper, and leaves office with a sterling record.

This is one of the major leather title events in Our Town, and it always generates a big turnout. It was begun by Alan Selby some 17 years ago as a fundraiser for the AIDS Emergency Fund. Hope you'll all come out, bring your tourist visitors with you, and support an event that has raised thousands of dollars for the SF leather community's favorite charity.

Random delights

This Labor Day weekend is not without major events going on all over the country. In New Orleans, the annual Southern Decadence weekend is taking place. One of the highlights of the weekend, besides the Gay Mardi Gras, is the Mr. and Ms. Louisiana Leather competition, taking place on Saturday night. I've been invited to join the judging panel along with some heavy-duty leather personalities so I'll bring you the results next week.

Biker mavens will be traveling south to join the Satyr's MC for their 38th annual Badger Flat weekend run. A large contingent of the local Pegasus Motorcycle Owners Club will be departing on Friday morning, September 3, and a lot of our local bikers will make the run as well. If you're going, be well prepared for the weather which has been known to



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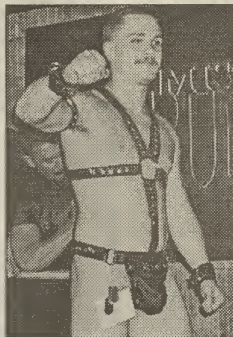
get as high as 90 degrees during the day and as low as the mid-30s at night.

I moseyed down to the Eagle last Sunday to sample some of Andy Rose's Pittsburgh (PA) kielbasa and sauerkraut. Big crowd, lots of tourists, and a mangy drag queen acting so haughty, everyone was almost puking. The kielbasa was great; Lenny Broberg was nursing wounds he got chasing a "suspect," and everyone was having a great time. There's nothing like a Sunday afternoon beer bust at the Eagle, is there?

And before the rumor gets rampant (and I mean rumor), Don "Ho" Tse is not, repeat not running for Empress. ▼



Todd Kepus, SF Leather Daddy's Boy '98, passes his sash to a successor on Sunday, Sep. 5 at the Eagle. Thanks for a great year, Todd!



Bob Vecchiarello is Mr. New England Drummer '99 and will compete in the finals here on September 25.

EVENTURES IN LEATHER

Thursday, September 2

Big Basket contest at the Edge Bar (provided they recovered from their "retreat" at the RushRiv last weekend). The usual suspects will be on hand. Win \$\$, fame, groping by the Old Bag.

Weekend, September 3-6

Southern Decadence in New Orleans, with the Mr./Ms. Louisiana Leather Contests. Also Satyr's MC 38th annual Badger Flat weekend run. (see above).

Sunday, September 6

17th annual SF Leather Daddy's Boy contest at the Eagle. Who will succeed Todd Kepus with the title? Constantines MC beer bust at the Lone Star, 1600-2000, for \$7 with Connie Dogs for \$2 and a 50/50 raffle to benefit Coming Home Hospice.

Wednesday, September 8

The Ring presents another discussion/workshop, "Bondage on a Budget." There is no charge/fee. Call 437-0883 for details.

Friday, September 10

Bare Chest Calendar men travel to Club Lunacee in Corte Madera to sell and autograph the stunning 2000 Bare Chest Calendar.

Weekend, September 11-12

You'd be surprised how many leather men you'll see at the 23rd annual Russian River Jazz Festival in Guerneville. Whoop-di-do!

Saturday, September 11

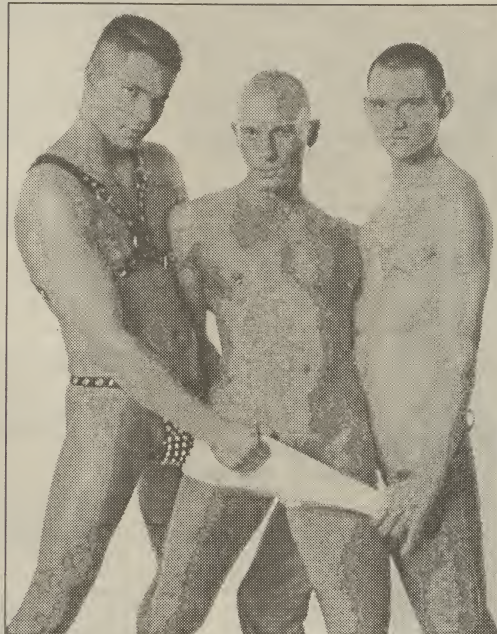
Cal Eagles MC one-day run, with a tour of the Marin Cheese Factory. Depart Daddy's Bar on Castro at 1000; bring \$\$ for gas, food and bridge tolls. Call 267-0560 if you need more info.

Joyous German jiz boys

by John F. Karr

Three sensational new videos have arrived from Germany, and they reek with enthusiastic excess and sex-possessed performers. *Sex for Sale* is raunch regular, *Berlin Techno Sex* is raunch high-power, and *Authentic Adventures* is all-out fetish sex. Made by Cazzo Film Berlin and distributed in this country by All Worlds Video, they are refreshingly different from American-made porn not only in the snappy style of their crafting, but, most especially, in the predatory look of the guys and the hungry way they have sex. These Germans have a stripped-down attitude; they embody the sex drive, become libido personified. They've groomed themselves for sex the way Olympic athletes are groomed for competition. Their lean, white bodies are taut, and shaved to the bone. They sport touches of leatherwear and genital-enhancing jocks, which come off to reveal hairless groins circled so tightly with leather or chrome that their cocks and balls bulge forth as if trying to escape.

Of the three videos, *Sex for Sale* is closest in content to mainstream porn. It follows the lean, hung and sexually insatiable Tristan through what we can only assume is his typical dozen orgasms a day. He starts out by telling a hung blonde what to do with a dildo via a live feed over his computer, continues with a three-way during his appointment with a photographer and his model, and



The German boys in *Sex for Sale*

the labyrinth of a warehouse. They piss down on open-mouthed worshippers from an overhead grid of heavy pipe. Swinging from the pipe like acrobats, they hook up their legs to expose yawning assholes for drooling tongues, a dildo, a fat cock.

All the while, in the club's

leads his partner to the middle of the dance floor. There, atop a raised column that's lit from within, its beautiful and eerie light glinting off the guy's Prince Albert, and with orgasmic couples writhing all around, Barron fists the guy, whose prominently upturned asshole is a weird and magnificent sight, and whose face sends out that look of otherworldly ecstasy that only the fisted know.

The not-too-aptly-named *Authentic Adventures* jettisons the throbbing disco beat and the attendant quick editing of *Berlin Techno Sex* for a more threatening, kinkier sexuality. The video evocatively depicts the war games played out by a handful of guys among the ruins of an abandoned factory. It doesn't much matter that you can't really tell what's going on, as the men take each other prisoner, string each other up, and provide a variety of fierce abuses. Military uniforms, latex, gas masks, hoods, handcuffs, chains and other restraints are prominent. The punishing sex includes some rough fucking, water sports, a groovy fisting that causes the bottom to piss all over himself, and for the finale, a gladiatorial fight to the finish in a mud pit, after which the loser is grittily ravaged. It's altogether rougher than *Berlin Techno Sex*, and even more of a fetishist's delight.

Don't worry about being unable to understand the dialogue in these videos. There isn't much, anyway, and it's somehow sexier for being in German (and, for those who do understand, delightfully colloquial). In his fascinating new book about gay identity, *The Elusive Embrace*, Daniel Mendelsohn muses about the effect of language on the erotic, and notes that German forsakes romance for sex. Which is exactly the point of these seething videos.

Yet these Germans are unfailingly and deeply connected with their partners. Perhaps not in love; but theirs is the most sincere yet still savage sportfucking I've seen in a long time. And happy. Even in the video's most intense moments, the boys are visibly having fun. There's joy in Berlin's rowdy jiz. ▼

A blonde uses both hands to pump a load right into his face; his tongue catches some choice globs.

climaxes with a group scene that ensues when he picks up a pair of hustlers on his way home, and they all get tangled up with the clerk of the hotel where they stop to take a room.

The video has many highlights. I'm enamored of the solidly-cocked blonde who sports with the dildo. Upturned upon his shoulders, the dildo quivering in his ass, he uses both hands to pump a load right into his face, his tongue catching some choice globs. The scene's cameraman charitably adds his load to the blonde's creamy facial. Later, in the hotel's group finale, one of the hustlers has a cock so broad that lips can barely stretch around it. While I struggled to get over this sight, the quartet of fuckers impetuously concocted a veritable pile-up of pluggings.

Here, as throughout all three of the videos, steely shafts refuse to soften, and no matter how hard they're smacked around by the guys, they look after several orgasms as if they might still shatter once again. I love the way these videos explode with cock.

Heavy pipe

Berlin Techno Sex veers into kink, as it enacts a dionysian ritual at a disco drenched in cum, where dancing works up a sweaty delirium that dissolves identity into a state of physical ecstasy, and the explosion of sex is an irresistible imperative. Away from the dance floor, guys seek release in the club's catacomb-like innards. They cruise ominously, suck worshipfully, and fuck exhaustively in

main room, the revelers dance to the soundtrack's nonstop beat. They become aroused, shed their clothes, flaunt their hardening cocks, copulate in the shadowy sidelines. Finally, for the video's climax, Thom Barron (the video's nominal star, and the only performer known to Americans)



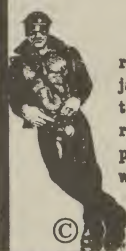
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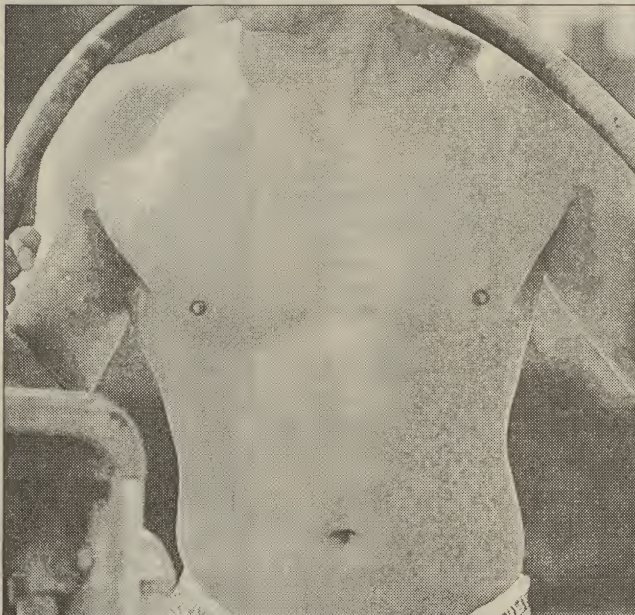
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The Cafe/Sun 7/25 11pm
You: Daniel from Argentina, saw you the day after your birthday. Me: David, blue-green eyes from Soca. Want to give you my phone #. Please find me. ☎ 8802

Shen Hua Berkeley 7/26
I was with a friend. You were at the next table. I got one long hit of your amazing eyes. ☎ 8803

Timothy
Your name is Timothy. Mine is Greg. Spoke with you in front of Kabuki Tuesday, 7-27. Regret not asking for your phone number. Wanna hang out? I do. ☎ 8804

Dario @ Wohler 7/9 Friday
You were on your Cannondale, I was wearing my tattoos and not much else. We played, then. You were going to a secluded spot, I had to leave. Call me! ☎ 8805

Ton Kiang Sat. 8/7 Upstairs
You, Asian, beautiful with older woman (mother?) Me, blonde with Asian friend. Had to leave. Would love to meet. ☎ 8900

Beldon Lane Cafe 52 Wed 8/4/99
11:45am, you with two women going to lunch, Me waiting for friend at Beldon and Pine. You sat at window table at Cafe 52. Want to do lunch? ☎ 8901

Danish-Sensual-Friday Night
We met at a club. Morgan? I'm Mexican, we're both 36. I couldn't find you later. I would love to hook up. Marco. ☎ 9002

Pasta Pomodoro, Sun 8/8 5:45pm
You were waiting outside in royal blue tee, we were sitting in window. Wanted to talk, but waitress came to take our order as you walked by. Another chance? ☎ 9001

Bay Bridge Fri 8-13 5pm
U dark way hair BMW, me brown hair SAAB conv. Our eyes met, would like to talk. Plz call. ☎ 9105

Chow, July 30 9:30pm
I was starting dinner, you were leaving and walked by. We smiled and waved to each other. Me: GAM w/ friend. You: cute GWM with? us: dinner? ☎ 9005

Jack Market St Gym 8/6
Jack, met you on Friday 8/6 at Market St. Gym. Have wanted to ask you out, wish I would have then. Want to have dinner? Brad ☎ 9006

The Third Man
Fri 9:30pm 8/13. was one seat away on your right. liked your eyes/sweet smile. About to say something but your boyfriend (?) got in between us. ☎ 9000

Just Do It
Waterfront Muni, Sun 8/22, you: grey hair, nite shirt. Me: brn hair, mustache. You said, "great day" as you left. Let's continue the conversation. ☎ 9100

Muni Bus 45 8/11
6pm, you: Asian sitting in the back, me with 2 friends getting off on Stockton. Our eyes caught each other. I would like to introduce myself. ☎ 9101

Outside CPMC On Webster 8/9
You: getting on bike. Me: suit, goatee. Both kept looking. Should have said something stupid like "nice bike". Now's my 2nd chance. If mutual, call. ☎ 9003

Cute Long-haired & Bearded Guy
Sunday the 8th, burrito place on 18th, each with two friends. Nice energy, captivating smile, resonant wavelength. We should have said more than "hi"! ☎ 9004

Your Briefs Caught My Eye
City Hall; late afternoon. You had just fallen down all those stairs and was being lead into ambulance by paramedics. I was cute ambulatory by my card. Did you smile? I sure did! Interested? ☎ 9103

Steamworks July 30
You wanted a third to find us, but no rooms. I found someone but you got shy. Let's try again. Call me, please. ☎ 8903

Pablo, Pablo, Pablo
Met you at the "place" 8/17 stared at you, kissed you, took you home and loved your beautiful self. It's James, you have the #. ☎ 9102

You Touched Me At Sliders U BM
Sat 8/14 about 2:00pm, Me-white boy, crewcut blond gray cycling tights, you-hot, tall BM with sunglasses & body! We said hi, you patted my behind, want more? ☎ 9008

SuperShuttle Mon 7/26 From SFO
I was first off in Bernal Heights, you went on. Both came in from Albuquerque but on different airlines. Both going home to cats. Let's meet again. ☎ 8902

Orange Tech Vest On Muni 7/31
Sat. 5:15pm. You got on Church St. w/Asian friend? Caught your beautiful eyes coming in. Me: Asian in blk. leather jacket w/friend. Would love to meet. ☎ 9007

Cute Blonde Mkt St Gym 8/16
Saw you in gym and in locker room around 4:00pm. We smiled at each other. Me shaved head, goatee (beard), tattoos, very attracted to you. Hope to see you again. ☎ 9104

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP

Attractive Latino
Handsome Latino 34yo 5'7", 140# black hair, brown eyes, goatee professional looking for GWM 26-40yo for friendship, or more. Me: like to go to movies, dinner, travel, hiking, biking, etc.. ☎ 8806

Seeking Slim Young Asian
Me: attractive mature GWM, 50, 5'8", 180lbs. You: slim young Asian 18-27 for fun, Alameda. ☎ 8807

Bearded Dad
GWM in S.F. 5'9" 150#, 60's n/d HIV- ISO masc White, Latin, Black guys under 50 for mutual massage oral service. Tlc facial hair a plus. ☎ 8808

Fuck-Buddy Or Boyfriend?
Which would you like? I need some sex, a drink and a few laughs. I'm educated, employed and easy to get along with. BM top late 40's seeking WM bottom 40 plus to hand out w/sometime. ☎ 8809

Spunk Me!
Cute little grad student 22 needs over the knee action from dominant big brother or father. Possible relationship. ☎ 8811

Four Way
One apartment, one king size bed, four HIV-men. I am 38, 150lbs, 5'10", hairy and shaved head/beard. Liberal/serious only. ☎ 8812

Young Daddy Is Looking For Boy
If you are 18-29, DM or Latino type. Clean-cut and hot. Me blond, blue, 32, 5'9", 180#, I enjoy sports, gym, walking, shopping. Going out and more. ☎ 8814

New To SF Love To Cuddle!
Me: SBM, 45, 5'8", slim; beard; you, SGM, over 45, heavy weight, thick cock/balls, hairy, no bottom, we: masculine, sensual, passionate, HIV-, ISO ltr. No fens/clones/drugs. ☎ 8815

Carmel Dad Type
GWM slim and trim. You be long and lean everywhere too and HIV-. Blond blue collar a plus. Age no criterion. ☎ 9016

Expert Cocksucker
Senior GWM 5'7", 130lbs, begs to worship verbal married straight, hgt-weight proportional, on a casual basis, no sm, no sids. ☎ 8910

Man Over 60 Wanted 4 Lover
Asian over 40 loves man over 60 and looks forward to every experience that relationship has to offer. Developing that relationship will be fun & exciting. ☎ 8816

Seeks Top Dad
Very attractive light complex GWM, 5'9", 160 in shape, prof, eager submissive, seeks top dad to age 50. Height/wgt. prop. and over 6', over 180lbs. E Bay only. HIV-. ☎ 8904

Fun Hot Date
34yr. old, good looking, intelligent, masculine, Eurasian with hard muscular, smooth athletic body, looking for guys of any race for fun. Prefer attractive, fit muscular, smooth, interesting young men. ☎ 8905

Available Latino 4 U
I'm 28, 5'7", 165lbs, stocky, muscular, busy grad student. Hoping to meet guys, Latino or White under 40 for friendship, then more. ☎ 8907

Are You Still Alone
Cute, goodlooking GAM, ISO top straight acting GWM 40-55, tall with facial hair, know how to love. Ns, nd, honest, sincere S.F. to E Bay. U won't be disappointed. ☎ 9013

Passionate, Sexy, Ital/Am GWMHIV+
Non superficial human w/soul seeks same, 5'10"-160, trim, hairy br.cu/br. healthy, handsome, ints. - love making, outdoors food/wine, friendship, weekend getaways, good catch for right guy ready to settle down. ☎ 8908

No Strings
Good strong aggressive sex with no serious relationship nor committed love... Just safe sex. 18-30 Blacks, Asians, Latinos and Indians. No drugs, smokers or drinkers, fens or fats. ☎ 8909

Giving Up In SF
Masculine, muscular, very affectionate, 5'11", 175# 35. Looking for dating, partner in life. Find dating very difficult in S.F. sexually looking for someone dominant. Please respond, getting lonely! ☎ 8911

Sure-Handed Hunk Seeks Boy
Lean, hard, well-defined, buzzed, good-looking muscledad's got a magic fist for the right boy. You be smart, focused, self-assured, willing, responsive, under 40 and well put together. It's a lot to ask, but I've got a lot to give. All you've got to do is let go. ☎ 8810

Seeking Hispanic/B/BI 18-21yrs
I'm Hispanic, b, hr, brn. eyes, olive complexion, 24yrs. 157lbs. HIV- considered good looking by comments made. Prefer significant other/ friends HIV-. No overweights/fems. ☎ 8913

Bottom Fixing Pig Wanted
Great shape hot daddy/master 55 wants a bottom boy 35+ for a tlc relationship. Tired of one night stands and want one stop shopping at home. Great cocksucker A+. ☎ 8813

I'm A Daddy Type
GWM 55 200+ masc, str8 acting, hairy, seeking same str8 acting bubble butt in my face to sniff & i/o friendship or ltr HIV-. Age/race open. ☎ 8914

GWM Good Looking 37 Seeking
GWM 20-45 for companionship in the new millennium. I'm 5'10", br/br, 147#, HIV-, sensitive, creative, intelligent, truthful, faithful, versatile. You are similar. ☎ 8916

Attention Red Heads
GWM, 40, s, dnt, brn, gm, into old popular music, antiques, architecture, etc. crewcut, goatee, not into bars, drugs, etc. Seeking person for fun, friendship, poss ltr. ☎ 9009

Tibetan/Mongolian Queer Wanted
6' WM, 160lb, lean, athletic, very young 50yo, ns, HIV-, wanna be free spirit, seeking Tibetan, similar attributes, 5'10"plus, under 40yo for fun and more. ☎ 9112

Be My "Man Of The Millennium"
I'm 38, affectionate, humorous, responsible, average GWM. You're Asian/Filipino top! versatile, stable, honest, smart, non-smoker. We're interested in movies, nature, current events, music, conversation, commitment. ☎ 9107

Do You Have Gigantic Nipples?
Hot musc. guy seeks a guy w/ extra large nipples. My goal is to suck, milk and satisfy you. You won't be disappointed. Pls, serious only. Pref, smooth body. ☎ 9010

Calling All Young Men To 45
I am sensitive friendly open GWM 50. You want no obligation caring form actual man who'll explore needs of body and soul. Call to talk; good sex optional. ☎ 9011

Handsome White Lover
35yrs n/s, n/d Asian look q, friendly, honest. Love music, movie. Seeking white goodlooking guy 36-42. Romance/honest, sexy. Let's get together. ☎ 9012

Laid Back Dad Seeks Son/Lover
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Muscular HIV+ Asian Sks Same
Handsome Asian with muscular smooth body, 5'6", 130# 42yo professional who enjoys movies, books, travel and sex. Seeks a man with similar interests and with a muscular body also. ☎ 9014

HIV+ Total Top Wanted
Capricorn, cancer, virgo-blackhair brown eyes, any race. HIV+ Pittsburgh Taurus, 37, blue dirty blond 6 foot 185- looking for suburban loving boyfriend- let's snuggle and play-house! ☎ 9015

Boysish Good Looks
GAM slim, masculine, professional with good looks and personality ISO good-looking masculine GWM or GHM in his 20's-30's, HIV- for quality times, ltr. ☎ 9017

Berkeley Guy
SGWM, handsome, slim, 35, 6', 148, black/hazel, goatee, top, HIV-, nd, ns, employed ucb, likes hiking, jogging, movies, tv, sports. ISO guy under 40 for hanging out, friendship, play. ☎ 9106

Master 68 ISO Boy-Toy Slave
Hungry, thirsty, bondage, discipline, spanking, humiliation, water sports HIV-, relocation involved out of state all breeds welcome. ☎ 9108

Butt Of Course It's Mutual
HIV poz, GWM 39, 5'5" 155, ISO 32-44 hairy man for mutual buttplay, dildos and more common interests for dating and LTR. Lots of mutual buttplay guaranteed. ☎ 8912

Spunk Me
Cute college frat boy 22 needs over the knee discipline from dominant big brother. Jock strap, speedo, boxer shorts, diapers. Spunk me today. ☎ 9109

34 Seeking 65+
GM 34, 5'10", 160lbs, very loving, honest & educated seeking GM over 65 age little heavy plus. Must be honest, loving & caring. Possible ltr. ☎ 8915

Daddy Knows Best
You'd agree with 8" of nordic man-meet up yours. You're 5'10", 160lbs, trim, firm, hairy, HIV+ Mediterranean. Service oriented. ☎ 9110

Financially Secure Male
Wanted by an educated, intelligent, creative and good-looking guy. Please answer my ad for fun, good times etc. ☎ 9113

HIV+ Total Top Wanted
Capricorn, Cancer or Virgo, black hair, brown eyes, any race, HIV+, Pittsburgh, Taurus, 37, blue dirty blonde, 6ft, 185- looking for suburban loving boyfriend to play house! ☎ 9117

Mulatto Guy
Good-looking, intelligent, educated, nice-looking for the right type of guys for fun, a relationship or whatever. ☎ 9114

Looking For Lover Local Area
Looks not so important. Solid personality. I live in San Leandro. You in same area. Where are you? Let's fall in love! ☎ 9115

Blond Hunk In Santa Rosa
43, look younger, easy going, compassionate, understanding & HIV-, brn hair, brn eyes, mustache, a top. Looking for his bottom 25-45yo. Dark haired A+, with a sense of humor. ☎ 9116

GAM Seeking GWM For LTR
Handsome, masculine GAM 38, 5'9", 135lbs. seeks in-shape GWM 30-45, HIV- college educated, hairy. Facial hair, versatile, leather SF preferred. ☎ 9118

Guerneville, My Son (Lover)?
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Get Naked For Hot Action
Husky GWM, 55, E. Bay, top HIV-, ISO BM bottom. Let me lick and screw you. Ns, nd, no perfume. Sweaty pits A+. ☎ 8818

Poz GBM Sks GWM/Latin Top
Healthy poz GBM 6ft 175, 37 sks top to service. A+ for small built or European guys. Tell me how you want me to take it. ☎ 8819

GWM Transvestite Seeks A BM
I enjoy any of several roles, your: fem sexual partner, dominant leather Mistress, or very submissive. I'm HIV+, 5'10", 53yrs, 210lbs. East Bay or SF. ☎ 8820

Asian Top Seeking Bottom Boy
Handsome educated 35, 5'10" 155lb smooth, well hung, uncult, non-smoking, drugfree, seeking good-looking in-shape HIV- bottom boy into dating as well as intimacy and safe sex open to ltr. ☎ 8821

Blow Job Service
Asian, 50, 5'8", 150#, good looking, HIV-, seeking GWM w/moustache or beard, hairy body, HIV-, big cock for regular service. SF, sat, daytime, your place. ☎ 8822

Big-Dicked Daddy Wants Sucked!
Tall, trim, hair, 50's. You be GWM 20-40, trim, hungry & expert cock-sucker. You'll love dad's huge, hard cock! ☎ 8823

Asian/Am Bottom Seeks 2 or? Tops
48y/o 5'9", 160lbs bottom, br/r HIV- shaved ass deep throat/tight seeks tops any race at least 9" and thick. Lt smoker, non drinker, loves good smoke, all but pain in giving have both holes filled at once. You'll love it. ☎ 8824

Big, Husky, Fat
GBM, 45yo, 5'11", 250lbs. big chest, hung, seeks big & fat men his size or bigger only, for versatile, uninhibited sex. Discretion a must. ☎ 8825

In Between Girlfriends?
SWM, likes only straight men to service. I'm clean, attractive, 6', 175#, 38, friendly, educated, healthy, in-shape, HIV neg, ubl, my place in SF, relax and become new friends. ☎ 8917

Stake Your Claim
Outdoorsman back from summer treks abroad. My butt needs attention. Handsome, 5'11", 170lbs. Blonde, great legs, great ass, in shape. ☎ 8918

Latino/Pilipino Sex!!!
1/4 Spanish 3/4 Pilipino ISO Latino/Pilipino! We're masculine, handsome, fit, 20-40s. I'm SF native, single, professional, trim-muscular, 41 look 30, buzzcut, moustache, top (optional), 5'7", 40c, 28w... Call! ☎ 8919

Afternoon Suckbuddies
Wanted by hot, sexy daddy type, 50's, trim, I like giving or receiving and I've got a big one! U b trim, under 50, hung big, and ready to play! Morning ok too. ☎ 8925

Magic Hands
I give long, slow, erotic massages. My table, my hands, my place, your pleasure. No formal training but interesting touch. Very discreet, versatile, and safe. No reciprocation required. ☎ 8920

Need Strong Teddy Bear Dad
Tall, thin, toned, sandy blond, late 30's seeks stocky daddy-type for tender, loving, father/son scene. You're fit, healthy, hairy, 50's-60's, affectionate, safe. Let's cuddle. ☎ 8921

Want Servicing?
CI-ct masc GWM 5'9"x155, discreet, deep throat, tight smooth butt, not to service, ci ct masc men, good shape ht to wt, 25-48, verbal, aggressive +s. ☎ 8922

Master Of Spectacle
Seeks charismatic, superbly built feeder/fucker, 23-33, to showcase. Be scrutinized and savored at your blue best by a select, extremely discriminating, anonymous audience. Uniquely raw, not a leather scene. ☎ 8923

Asian Bottoms Come And Get It
Give your ass to a hot top. I will satisfy you. 36 GWM good looks & body and I have a nice cock for you. ☎ 8924

HIV+ Dad Needs Submissive Son
For discipline, bondage, roleplay, buttplug. Me: attractive, 52 y/o Italian-German 5'8", 150lbs, dark hair eyes complexion. You: attractive, younger, any race, trim, masculine obedient. ☎ 8926

Chocolate-Covered Romance
Handsome GWM seeks Romantic Black male for lively conversation, passionate sex, spontaneous adventures. Me: 40, tall, gym-toned, brown/blue, enjoy arts, reading, outdoors. Prefer muscular, worldly, available for intimacy. ☎ 8927

Black Bottom Hole To Fuck
For "experienced uninhibited top" ISO easy access bottom I'm, masc 39, 5'11" 150# goatee, shaved head. You, hi, wt, prop, masc & ready to fuck. ☎ 8928

Pete Is Back & Window Is Open!
Italian stud, 46, 230#, goatee, 6', bald, top, looking for hot bubble-butts to fuck on a regular basis. ☎ 8929

Beefy Cocksucker
Seeking top who needs regular service by masculine guy. Into all oral action. Must love to spread your legs. Leave details. ☎ 8930

Daddy's Looks But Really A Boy?
GWM sex mentor with big nipples and kind heart wants to meet you. I'm trim, 6', 155lbs, 60yo, bald/goatee. ISO another trim GWM no tobacco or perfume please. ☎ 8931

Older Master Seeks Slave Boy
Attr. dominant master, 75, 5'7", 170, seeks ddk's 18-45 submissive boy for ongoing sexual fun. Hung big a plus. Limits respected and open to a ltr. ☎ 9018

Hot White Or Latino Bottoms
Wanted by White male 55yrs old 6'0", 160lbs drk brn hair bn eyes glasses big cut 9" dick wants to fuck hot White or Latin bottoms under 40. ☎ 9019

Huge Muscles Seeks Biggest Dick
Huge body builder (6'1", 245#, 52, 34yo, 19a) seeks San Francisco's biggest dick. Any race. The bigger the dick, the more I want flex and make it cum on my chest! ☎ 9020

A Spanking For You
Novices welcome. Limits respected. Sex preferred after. Possible roleplay. Me: attrac. GWM, 46, 6'5", 250lbs, stocky build, brown hair/moustache, hairy chest/stomach. You: attrac. GM (White, Asian, Latin), slim, 21-35, nice buns. ☎ 9021

Buddy For Sex And Friendship
Healthy GWM, 45, 145lbs, 5'8", seeks any race in shape guy early mornings or daytime hot sex-kissing, hugging, licking, & more. Let's get together & explore. ☎ 9022

Just Shut Up And Ride
34, 5'10" 200lb blonde/blue muscular top wants good-looking masculine men to pump me. Also love to get massaged and jerked off-anytime. ☎ 9023

Sonoma County
ISO mature, dominant man for role playing at my place. Me: 42yo, 5'9" 170#. Ready to serve. ☎ 9130

Free Spirited Young Man Into
art and music and spiritually seeks older mature gentle man for adventure, fun and maybe! ☎ 9024

Hot Tongue Service For Latins
GWM bear wants top tongue Latins front nd back with my tongue. Any date of size ok. ☎ 9025

I Wanna Suck Your Butt
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I like blonde men. White gold blond-not dark or dirty or dyed. Like other qualities also: smarts, humor, maturity. Attractive GWM, 40s, tall and trim, has lots to offer. Ns/nd. ☎ 9122

Muscle Worship
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If you are hung "9" or more, please call me so we can get together for fun and good times. ☎ 9128

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Got Upper & Lower Dentures??
Would like to get gummied for long sessions. Deep throat a plus! 8", cut, poz, 6', 170, 41yo Arab/ American man. Milk it good if you want it, or just until ready. Big head. ☎ 9038

Sit On My Face
SWM, 36, gym-toned, smooth body, blonde, seeks cute boyfriend 18-24 with smooth white ass to grind in my face. Possible permanent position. ☎ 9039

FF Top Seeks Submissive Bottom
Muscular Latin top seeking poz ff bottom 30 or under into being restrained B/G, pluses shaved heads, tattoos, piercings. Me ff top, pierced, tats, & 8 1/2" tool. ☎ 9133

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Would like to get gummied for long deep-throat sessions. 8" cut, poz, 6', 170, 41yo. Arab/American man. Milk it good if you want it, or until ready. ☎ 9134

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East Bay
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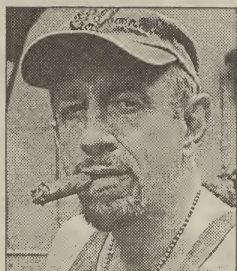
The light of Day

by Jim Nawrocki

Metamorphose: New Erotic Images by Greg Day; Janssen

The world of gay erotic photography is not a small one. San Francisco is home to more than a few photographers who specialize in capturing, redefining and glorifying the beauties of the male physique, and examples of their work are easy to find. More often than not, however, these works tend to concentrate on youthful beauty, the Adonis, even the ephebe, bathed in light and shadow, artfully posed to showcase his innocence. This tendency has even begun to make inroads into the American pop culture mainstream — beautiful young men are a staple in advertising for such brand names as Calvin Klein and, more recently, Abercrombie & Fitch.

The photographs of Greg Day, who has lived and worked in San Francisco for 20 years, present a different contemplation of the male form. His work demonstrates his desire to capture the allure of men of experience. Day's work has appeared in numerous books, including *AIDS Worlds* and *Uniforms*, among others. In addition, his photographs have been featured in such magazines as *Project X* (published in Paris), *POS*, *RFD*, *Powerplay*, *Frontiers*, *International Leatherman*, *Toy* and others. And he is featured in two



Photographer Greg Day

documentaries, *Queer Mecca* and *Gay Courage*, by German filmmaker Rosa von Praunheim.

Day's new book, *Metamorphose*, as the title implies, is a book about transformations. The images in the book, in black-and-white as well as color, are varied, daring, and real. The first two-thirds of the photos are black-and-white portraits of gay men, young and old, together and at play. There's a quiet power in many of these photos, as in the first image in the book, "Chico," photographed in 1996. It's the portrait of a bald, white-bearded man, marked by tattoos, who looks paradoxically vulnerable and powerful. Others, such as "Armin," who smiles seductively under a cowboy hat, or "Mike," who poses in underwear behind a halo of cigar smoke, are playfully erotic.

"What I try to do is capture that spontaneous moment," says Day,

who recently spoke about his work from his Twin Peaks apartment. "It's like people who make sculpture out of garbage that they've found. I'm trying to just capture that natural moment that reveals something about the person."

Men at play

Day is particularly interested in capturing the spontaneity of men at play. Several of the images in the book chronicle the sexual antics of Day's friends and acquaintances. These involve uniforms, leather, S&M, bondage and a variety of other gay fetishes. "What many of the men in this book have in common is a type of sexuality that is very unacceptable and unconventional, and that is fetish sex and leather sex," says Day. "But it has humor in it and is caring. It's not like [what] you see in porn. It actually is very tender."

The men featured in the book also have in common what Day refers to as a "survivor" status. "Most of the guys in the book are long-term HIV-positive survivors," says Day. "There are some HIV-negative guys in there, but all of us are survivors of the emotional and psychological impact of the [AIDS] epidemic, and all of us have gone through a major transformation from death to life."

The book also marks something of a personal metamorphosis for Day. After testing positive for HIV in the mid-1980s, he went through a period in which he had to back away from his



Red Buddha #1, Brad O.B., 7/96, by Greg Day

photographic work. He recalls: "I stopped doing my gay erotic photography, because of a depression, really. The men in my photos, and in my life, were dead and dying, and I thought I was going to die, and my audience died. So I stopped doing that kind of photography and got an office job." But in 1995, Day began to come back to life, personally and artistically, and he started taking photos again. *Metamorphose* is a result of that creative rebirth.

One of Day's particular artistic concerns is a quest for spontaneous, unadorned truth. He points out that he does not "pose" his models when they're in front of his camera; he simply waits for them to reveal themselves to him and to the camera. "What my photography is about is *vérité* style, it's like photojournalism. Even my work that looks like it's been done in a studio is all *vérité*. What I'm really interested in is the idiosyn-

crasy of the individual person." Day's photographs bear this out. Many of them depict raw, uninhibited displays of sexuality, as if the subjects have lost all awareness of the camera. These are pictures of private worlds, of the realm of sexual fantasy and play.

While *Metamorphose* is billed as a collection of "erotic images," it also contains some handsome examples of landscape photography, what Day refers to as the "Carolina Lowcountry" photographs. But the majority of the images in the book present men openly and honestly celebrating their bodies and their sensuality. When one considers that many of these men have lived, and continue to live, with HIV, these images attain an almost victorious quality. ▼

Day's work can be viewed via his website, www.mandreams.com.

Eleanor

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ended up causing her much unhappiness."

Content provider

Whether Hick was at home with ER at the White House or traveling around the country as part of her job with the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, ER spent hours every night writing her 15- and 20-page letters, which were intended to serve as a diary for Hick to use in a future biography of ER (it was Hick who convinced ER to make these daily writings into her landmark syndicated newspaper column, "My Day"). While only a fraction of their correspondence has survived, there is plenty of content to suggest the true nature of the relationship. "If you look at these letters

written by two adult women, with ER saying, 'I wish I could lie down beside you tonight and take you in my arms,' this is a very erotic thing," says Cook.

During a long separation, Hick once wrote: "Only eight more days... Funny how even the dearest face will fade away in time. Most clearly I remember your eyes, with a kind of teasing smile in them, and the feeling of that soft spot just north-east of the corner of your mouth against my lips..."

"I leave it up to the reader," says Cook, "but I do say, 'Freud notwithstanding, a cigar may not always be a cigar, but the northeast corner of your mouth against my lips is always the northeast corner.'"

Still, some scholars stubbornly insist that ER could not have been a lesbian. After all, she gave birth to six children. And the times were

different then, they say. It wasn't unusual for women to write lovingly to each other.

"It really is a measure of the hate that's out there," says Cook of the controversy. "There was a woman who came over to me at an event at Lincoln Center several years ago, a fundraiser for the beautiful new statue of ER in New York. This woman said, 'Oh, are you that disgusting woman that wrote that ER was a lesbian?' I said, 'Have you read the book?' She said, 'No, I wouldn't read it. I wouldn't touch it.' This was a woman who writes about ER and who is a human rights activist! This is the level of hate and contempt for gay people. Folks couldn't talk this way any longer about Jews or about people of color, but it's OK to talk about lesbians this way. I really sickened."

Cook recently celebrated her thirtieth anniversary with partner

Clare Coss, who is a psychotherapist, playwright, poet, and the editor of *Arch of Love* (Scribner's), a collection of lesbian poetry.

"We left our husbands for each other," says Cook. "We're both workaholics, and that, I think, has enabled us to stay together and be happy as long as we have."

As a college student in 1961, Cook was fortunate enough to have a number of personal encounters with the woman who would become the focus of her life's work.

"I was president of the student government of Hunter College, and ER was still an advisor to student activists," says Cook. "She encouraged us to support the civil rights movement and to be active, which we did — Hunter took a bus down to North Carolina, and we took part in sit-ins. She was a

very big part of what galvanized student activism."

Just a year before her death at age 78, ER made several speaking appearances at Hunter during Cook's tenure as head of student government.

"When she walked into the room, she had so much energy — she just lit up the room," says Cook. "She was an amazing woman, and she was really never aware of how truly remarkable she was. A friend who traveled with her for the United Nations tells a story about how once when they were landing in a small town in Missouri or Kansas or somewhere, ER looked out the airplane window and there was a red carpet laid down. In complete seriousness, ER said, 'Oh look, there must be someone important on the plane.' " ▼

Opera

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(Teldec; two discs). Lucia plays Oct. 12, 15, 17, 21, 23, 24.

At this point, I lose the French connection. You couldn't make something Gallic out of *Wozzeck* if you poured champagne and caviar over it and, from then until *Rake's Progress* and *Parsifal* in June

2000, it is all prosciutto and pasta at SFO. Yet, if you are in the mood for more French opera, check out André Previn and the London Symphony Orchestra in Ravel's two delicious one-act comedies (Deutsche Grammophon; two discs available separately). The only name I recognize in the cast of *L'Enfant et les sortilèges* is Previn's Stella, the gifted coloratura Elizabeth Futral, but the entire

cast is enchanting. This piece is scrumptiously orchestral, and the digital stereo reveals every nuance of Ravel's magical scoring. *L'Heure Espagnole* is not as elegant as *L'Enfant*, but its sex farce antecedents (Feydeau lurks in every grandfather clock) lend it to gramophone listening. Again, the performance ranges from raucous to radiant. I guess French opera is not in such a bad way, after all. ▼

Dance

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Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater.

In a whirlwind of dance, music, acrobatics, theater and storytelling, *Les Ballets Africains* comes to Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley, October 8-10, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Keith Terry and Crosspulse

premiere *Body Tjak/The Celebration* at Theater Artaud, October 13-16 and 21-24, Wednesdays-Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. The Bay Area's Terry, known as a composer/percussionist/rhythm dancer, collaborates with Indonesian choreographer/dancer I Wayan Dibia, in a new work for 15 dancers and musicians from North and South America, Bali, West Java and Sumatra.

The innovative Hawaiian

dance company *Na Lei Hulu I Ka Wekiu* presents *The Natives Are Restless - Ke Akua* October 16-17 and 23-24, Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts Theater.

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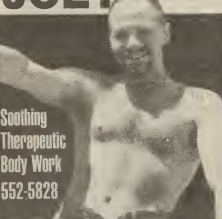
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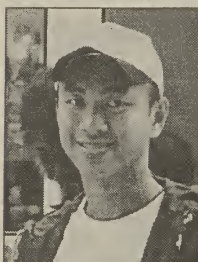
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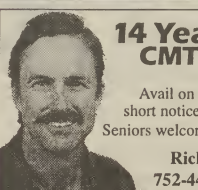
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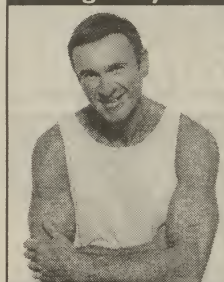
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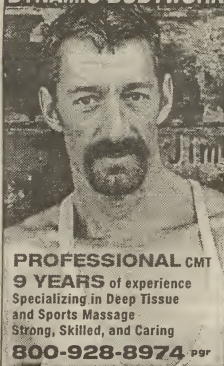
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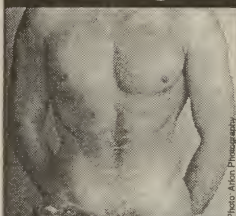


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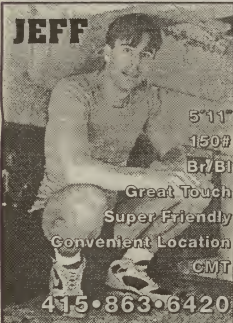
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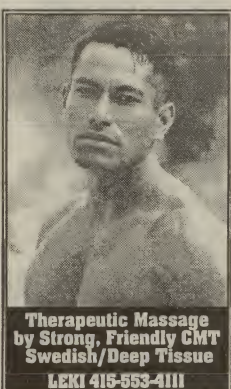
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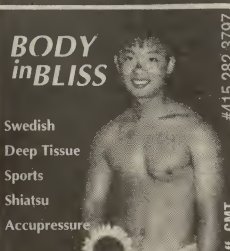


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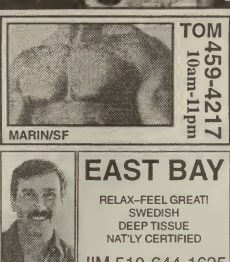
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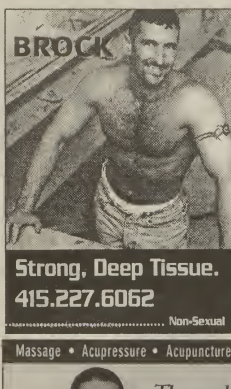
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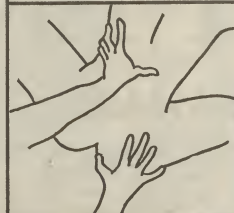
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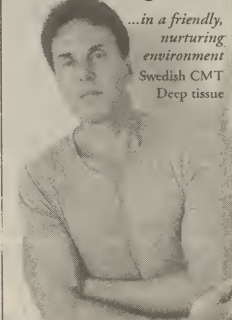
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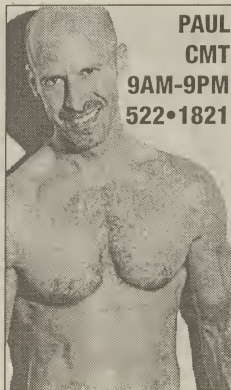
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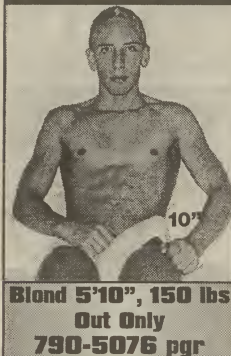
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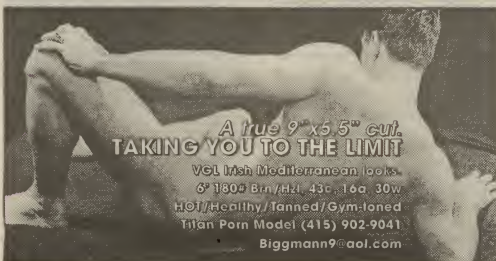
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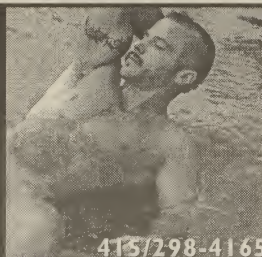
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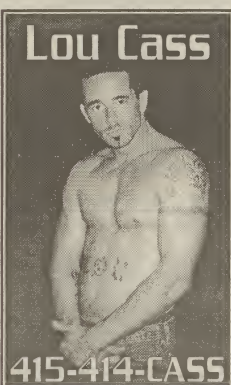
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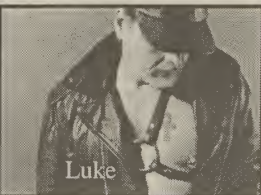
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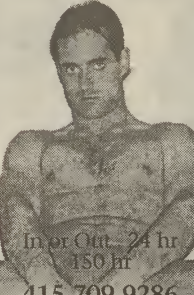
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